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China Exhibit Corp. Staggered by Debts Of $3 Million

SAN FRANCISCO — The China Exhibition Corporation now faces some $3 million in debts arising from the ill-fated China Trade Exhibition held last fall, and Bay Area businesses are owed some $300,000 of that.

The private, New York-based China Exhibition Corporation (CEC) completely underwrote the first-of-a-kind Chinese trade show which visited SF, Chicago and New York, and received financing from some five US banks in the process. Crocker National Bank, Manufacturers Hanover of NY, First National Bank of Chicago, Wells Fargo Bank and the Mid-atlantic Bank of New Jersey had all granted the corporation extensive lines of credit, although Crocker later withdrew its credit, limiting its loan to $190,000, when it suspected financial difficulties.

PROFITS

All profits from ticket sales and concession fees were to have gone to the CEC. However, the poor reception given the show precluded such profits. Only 600,000people visited the exhibit during its 3-city tour, and over one-third of those attended during its SF showing.

A group of Bay businesses which are owed money by the CEC have asked the SF Chambler of Commerce to approach the Chinese government about the possibility of their honoring the debt since it appears that the CEC is unable to do so.

Chamber vice-president Harry Oberlian spoke with Chinese officials last month in Beijing, but was politely informed that all debts are the responsibility of the CEC.

MORAL

Oberlian recently told the *SF Chronicle* that he hopes that if the organizers are able to document their losses and clear up the misunderstanding that the Chinese were liable for the debts, that some sort of arrangement — based on moral obligation rather than legal obligation — might be able to be worked out with the Chinese government.

CEC chairman Gilbert Robinson has reportedly been telling creditors that the Chinese government would like to compensate persons not paid. All public statements from Chinese officials contradict this, however. Yimin Guo, commercial affairs counsel at the Chinese counselate here, explained recently that the CEC actually owes Chinese companies some $200,000 as well, and that the responsibility lies entirely with the CEC. □

Geng Biao Appointed to Defense Post

BEIJING — Vice Premier Geng Biao was appointed to the important post as minister of national defense March 6. The 72-year-old defense chief served as regimental chief of staff and commander of an army division from 1928 to 1937. During the Sino-Japanese War, he was deputy brigade commander from 1937 to 1945. He was the deputy commander of an army group from 1946 to 1949. Since 1949, he served successively as ambassador to six nations and vice minister of foreign affairs. He will keep his vice premier title while serving as the defense chief. □

Anna Chennault Keynotes CESASC Annual Convention

LOS ANGELES — Anna Chennault, noted businesswoman, author, and consultant to the aeronautical industry, will be the keynote speaker at the 19th annual convention of the Chinese Engineers and Scientists Association of Southern California. Currently active in GOP politics, Mrs. Chennault will examine "The Chinese American Involvement in American Politics." The dinner-dance will include the Association's annual awards to selected outstanding Chinese Americans in science, engineerig, or technological management. Past recipients have included Nobel Prize winners Drs. C. N. Yang and Samuel Ting.

The convention will be held Sunday evening, March 29, at the Montebello Country Club. For reservations, call (213) 535-3460 or (213) 847-4420. □

Marysville Celebrates Bok Kai Festival

Bok Kai Temple keeper Joe Lung Kim of Marysville beats the gong during the Bomb Day celebration at Marysville.(See story on page 10). (Leland Wong photo)

The CETA Ax Falls in SF

SAN FRANCISCO — The first batch of termination notices went out this week for 182 CETA workers, the first victims of Reagan administration budget cuts. Local officials expect to lay off all of the 1300 public service workers hired under the Comprehensive Employment and Training Act by September 30, according to Mayor Feinstein. Lay-off plans will give priority to trainees who could become competitive in the private sector labor market.

The first group includes city and non-profit agency jobs, such as language translators at SF General Hospital, Chinese-speaking telephone operators, street sweepers, senior citizen escorts, child-care and neighborhood center workers, mini-van drivers for elderly programs and graphic arts trainees with the Art Commission.

Temporarily left intact are 1,500 CETA training positions and 5,000 summer youth jobs. The city will lose $5.3 million out of its total funding of $14 million for public service employment, according to Robert Won, who heads the Mayor's Office of Employment and Training.

SUMMER

Won told *East/West* that he doesn't anticipate any immediate layoffs in his department, because staff members will be transferred into the summer job program. Won expects some of the 5,000 to be lost because the minimum wage has gone up to $3.35. In other words, the funding for the summer jobs would remain the same, but fewer jobs would be funded.

US Labor Seeretary Raymond Donovan announced last week government measures to ensure that people thrown out of work by the Reagan administration do not join the ranks of the unemployed. A $245 million fund is being established to cover the cost of providing unemployment insurance benefits to displaced workers unable to find jobs immediately. The $245 million is being taken from funds that initially were to go to the 475 state, local and municipal sponsors of CETA public service job programs.

Donovan also said that all personnel involved in employment and training in the Labor Department are being asked to give the employment of displaced CETA workers "a top priority." State job placement programs are being directed to match CETA workers with job availabilities in the individual states. CETA nationwide will be slashed by $841 million in the current fiscal year ending September 30. The phasing out of the public service jobs will save $3.6 billion by the start of fiscal 1982, according to the Reagan administration. □

HK Commercial Rental Rates 3rd Highest in World

HONG KONG — In a recent study of 23 property markets in the world urban centers, Hong Kong has been named the third most expensive city in commercial rental. High standard office space in Hong Kong averages HK$289.92 ($56) per square fot per annum. This is exceeded only by Buenos Aires ($63) and London ($56.2). □

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Seton Hall Bilingual Director Assesses Lau Remedies Impact

(The following letter was sent to East/West from Seton Hall University in response to Education Secretary Bell's February 2 decision to reject the bilingual education guidelines proposed by the Carter Administration (E/W 2/4/81). We believe it provides pertinent background information to the bilingual education issue and last week's article on Bell's discussion of the future of bilingual education. —Ed.)

To *East/West:*

On February 2, 1981, T. H. Bell, the newly appointed Secretary of Education, withdrew proposals submitted by the former administration to the Congress, which would have expanded bilingual education to children of limited English proficiency. This decision has caused a great deal of alarm in communities with large ethnolinguistic minority populations. Many parents fear that their children's right to equal educational opportunity is being jeopardized.

Although it is difficult at this time to predict the long-range impact of the President's general policy on American education, one thing is certain: there are legal limits to the extent to which the Executive branch can withdraw regulations protecting limited English proficient or non-English proficient speaking students.

In December 1973, the case of *Lau vs. Nichols* was brought before the United States Supreme Court. Nichols' position was that students of limited English speaking ability should receive the same educational services as those whose native language is English. Lau maintained that equal services were not necessarily identical. Students who did not understand English were entitled to special, more meaningful instruction.

FAVORS

In January 1974, the Supreme Court decided unanimously in favor of Lau. The Court interpreted Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 to mean that students could not be denied equal educational opportunities because of language barriers.

In 1975, the Office for Civil Rights (OCR) issued a more detailed document in which specific programs were recommended to eliminate educational practices unlawful under the Lau ruling. This document, popularly known as the Lau Remedies stipulates varieties of measures, including Bilingual Education, to help those students whose English proficiency is limited.

Because of the time required to develop English proficiency, many students cannot readily comprehend English language textbooks. If compelled to use them exclusively, they may fall permanently below their grade level in content knowledge. In order to avoid this, the Bilingual Education programs begin teaching subject matter in the native language. As the student develops English proficiency subjects are taught in both languages until, finally, the student is able to learn content matter in English.

REFORM

School districts that failed to comply with the Lau ruling were required to reform their programs and student services. The Lau Remedies were used by OCR as a guideline to evaluate the revised programs. They do not have the force of law. School districts were permitted to institute their own plans. However, any measures not included in the Remedies had to be guaranteed effective in providing equal educational opportunities to limited English proficient (LEP) or non-English proficient (NEP) children, and the burden of proof fell on the school districts.

The Carter administration submitted a proposal to Congress in 1980, which would have made the Lau Remedies more applicable to all school districts receiving federal funds. Exceptions to the bilingual education requirement were made for high schools because of the specialized nature of secondary level classes. Below ninth grade, full bilingual programs were compulsory unless there were fewer than 25 limited English proficient or non-English proficient students from the same language community. Any other exceptions would have required a formal waiver from the Department of Education.

POLICIES

Congressional approval and funding decisions concerning the new Lau regulations were postponed. Before the Congress could act on this guideline, the new Reagan administration decided to scrap the Carter proposals altogether. One reason for doing so is financial in nature. The estimated cost of implementing the Carter proposal would have amounted to around $1 billion over the next five years. This proposed increase in government expenditures is seen as being in conflict with President Reagan's commitment to cut federal spending.

Secretary Bell also criticized the proposals for being inflexible difficult to implement, and definitely outside the province of federal authority. Educational policies have traditionally been formulated at the state and local level. The Reagan administration is unwilling to hamstring local authorities by imposing far-reaching federal regulations.

It should be emphasized that the recent decision does not mean the death of bilingual education. The Lau ruling and the Supreme Court decision still stand, and the Reagan administration is legally responsible for its enforcement. Secretary Bell does plan to rewrite the bilingual education regulations to provide greater flexibility for school districts. Until that is accomplished, the Lau Remedies will continue to be the official guideline for instructional aid to limited English proficient or non-English proficient students.

Neither New Jersey nor New York City will be affected by the changes in federal policy. Both already have bilingual programs in operation which not only comply with the Lau Remedies but, in some cases, go beyond them. New Jersey's Bilingual Education Act is one of the most progressive in the nation. Other states have also instituted programs and services which run the gamut from ESL classes only, to many types of bilingual programs which encourage the continued use of both languages, to enrichment programs designed to promote use of both languages, to enrichment programs designed to promote bilingual abilities in English speaking students as well.

Despite some political opposition, commitment to bilingual education in the United States is growing. Research in the fields of instructional procedures, curriculum development, and teacher training has both increased in quantity and improved in quality. All in all, the outlook is bright for improved educational opportunities for minority students.

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EDITORIAL

The Atlanta Killings

The murder of twenty black children in Atlanta is like a dark cloud hanging over our nation. We send our deep condolence and concern to the children's families, and urge the law enforcement agencies to spare no effort in solving these cases.

Another Thousand Years For Chinese Characters

For the past two decades, there has been a movement in China, backed by Mao Zedong, to abolish Chinese characters and to adopt an alphabetized language. According to Mao, the Chinese should alphabetize (or romanize) their language since the rest of the world has already done so.

As everyone familiar with the Chinese language knows, it is no simple task to alphabetize Chinese. First, Chinese characters are monosyllabic. Dozens of characters share the same sound. Second, the Chinese language is a tonal language. Because each character carries a distinctive tone, it has never been necessary for the Chinese to write out the tones. This practice will have to change once alphabetized Chinese is in use. Very much like modern-day written Vietnamese, a person must write down the sound as well as the correct tone. Even then, it may be confused with many other similar-sounding words.

We are delighted by newspaper accounts in China printing comments from a prominent language professor opposing Mao's vision last week. Prof. Shang Chengzuo mentioned that China's literary treasure of thousands of years would be in danger once alphabetized Chinese is in use.

China has promoted the use of the Pinyin romanization system for many years now. Posters, newspaper and magazine covers, and slogans on the streets of many larger cities in China have both Chinese characters and Pinyin spellings. For a long time, we noticed the tones were missing, which rendered them completely unintelligible.

Maybe this is another example of how the Chinese under Mao were half-heartedly following instructions from above. We are, nevertheless, glad that Chinese characters will stay for, say, another thousand years.

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Bethlehem Steel Signs Accord to Build Oil Rigs

SINGAPORE — Bethlehem Steel Corporation of the US signed a memorandum of understanding with the Guangdong Shipbuilding Corp. here on March 6 on the building of oil rigs in China under a licensing arrangement. The shipyard hoped that the agreement would lead to the building of at least four jackup rigs, each costing between $25 to $30 million. If a final agreement was reached, it would mark the first Chinese attempt to build a complete rig system under license from a US firm. □

Vatican Chargé D'Affaires Denies Taipei Tie Change

TAIPEI — According to the Foreign Ministry, Monsignor Paolo Giglio, Vatican's charge d'affaires in Taipei, told vice foreign minister Frederick F. Chien "emphastically that the friendly relations between the two nations have never changed." During the Pope's trip to Asia, he sent Agostino Cardinal Casaroli, secretary of state of the Holy See, to make a special trip to Hong Kong to meet with Cardinal Teng Yi-min of Guangzhou. Coupled with Pope John Paul II's call to improve relations with China, there were press reports that the Vatican may change its ties with Taipei.

Monsignor Giglio told Chien that Casaroli made the special trip because Cardinal Teng was ill and could not call on the Pope in the Philippines. □

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The OCA Involves in Many Issues And Concerns of Chinese Americans

LETTERS

To *East/West:*

As a long time subscriber and reader of your newspaper, I have always noted and appreciated your reporting of activities of the Organization of Chinese Americans (OCA) and its twenty chapters across the US, and more particularly those of our local chapter, the OCA of Southern Alameda County. With this in mind, I was rather surprised and disappointed after reading your editorial of the March 4 issue.

The editorial stated that "Chinese Americans, much like many smaller minority groups, have no one representing their interest in Washington . . ." failed to give the OCA recognition for its efforts since the organization was established in 1972. The national office of OCA is strategically located in Washington, and has involved itself in many issues and concerns of the Chinese American people. It has dealt with all branches of our government and various federal agencies. It has met challenges both inside as well as outside of the government. The OCA has its special area of interest, just as the OCAPEC (OCA Political Education Committee) has of special area of concern. The OCA with its various chapters across the nation have brought the Chinese Americans together to work for our common interest at both the national and local level.

My reason for writing this letter to you is to inform you that some Chinese Americans have recognized the need to have someone look after our interest in Washington and have developed an organization for this purpose. Unfortunately, like many young organizations in these inflationary times, its efforts and effectiveness are hampered by financial problems.

If your newspaper is sincere in your editorial comment, publicize OCA and its chapters so that we may attract members and financial support to accomplish the common goals and objects of all Chinese Americans.

David F. Der, MD
Hayward, Calif. □

(In our editorial "Time to Join Forces to Lobby in Washington" (E/W 3/4/81), we said "Chinese Americans have no one representing their interest in Washington and must therefore wait and hope for the mercy of those in power," we were referring to the collective "we".

What we see in Washington are the high-powered lobbyists hired by the industries, the unions, farmers' associations and other special interest groups. Minorities such as the blacks, the Japanese Americans and the Spanish-speaking segment of our nation have legislators as well as professional lobbyists who are registered in the Congress. In comparison, Chinese Americans have no voice in Washington.

We understand that many Chinese American groups, such as the OCA, the CACA, the Association of Chinese Americans as well as the National Chinese Welfare Council are trying hard to bring a Chinese American viewpoint to Washington. We salute their efforts. It is our opinion that the different organizations should get together, identify some of the common concerns, and lobby as one force. —Ed.) □

Governor Brown Attends Fundraiser In SF Chinatown

SAN FRANCISCO — More than 300 persons came to a fundraiser for Gov. Jerry Brown at the Golden Dragon Restaurant March 11. The governor told the audience that he planned to use the funds to publish a magazine called *Milestone* to promote his political ideals and to help Democrat candidates. Sponsors of the dinner said they urged the governor to establish a state agency to prmote trade between California and Taiwan, Hong Kong and Singapore. □

Train Accident in Taiwan Kills 30

TAIPEI — A train-truck collision occurred March 8 killing 30 passengers and injuring more than 100. Premier Sun Yun-suan urged the Ministry of Communications to study ways to prevent the recurrence of similar disasters. The railroad bureau has announced plans to pay the families of the deceased passengers $2740 each as compensation. □

'Chinese American Community Will Remain Divided'

To *East/West:*

Your editorial "Time to Join Forces to Lobby in Washington" is unrealistic.

Reason No. 1: the Chinese American community is divided and will remain divided so long as the Communist-Nationalist conflict continues. Reason No. 2: it takes money to hire professional lobbyists. I doubt very much our community could raise the amount of funds needed to engage such services. Reason No. 3: even if we have lobbyists in Washington ready to work for us, do we know exactly what we want (without starting a big fight)?

Donald Lee,
Berkeley □

San Diego's UPAC Installs New Officers

SAN DIEGO — Judge Louis Welsh will deliver the keynote address, "The Effects of Integration on the Pan Asian Communities," and install the new officers at the 9th Annual Dinner of the Union of Pan Asian Communities' (UPAC) at Mandarin China, 4110 West Point Loma Boulevard on Sunday, March 29 at 6 pm.

Remigio B. Aragon, chairperson for three years will turn over the gavel to Ron Pascua. Peter Quon (vice-chairperson), Vernon T. Yoshioka (secretary-treasurer) and Board of Directors Ray Aragon, Camy Condon, Boualanh Chanthapraseuth, Jon Funabiki, Dr. Philip Hwang, Margaret Iofi, A. B. Santos, Kay Sook Song and Dr. Nguyen huu-Xuong will be installed.

UPAC began in 1972 to provide advocacy and future services for limited and non-English speaking residents in San Diego. The proceeds from the dinner will be used to repair the new building they recently purchased which established a Pan Asian multi-service center at 1031 25th Street.

Dinner donations are $15 single and $25 a couple. (714) 232-6454.

Don Marvin Speaks At Contractors' Annual Dinner

SAN FRANCISCO — Don Marvin, District Director of the US Small Business Administration (SBA), will be the guest speaker at the 1981 Annual Installation Dinner of the United Asian Contractors' Association. The event will be held on Saturday, March 28, at the Shang Yuen Restaurant in the Cannery. There will be a no-host cocktail from 6 pm to 7:30 pm, then dinner will be served. Tickets for the dinner are $17.50 per person. For reservations, contact George Liu at 474-6103 or Hayden Lee at 928-5910. □

Eve Armentrout-Ma Speaks on Coastal Chinese Fishermen

SAN FRANCISCO — Eve Armentrout-Ma will speak on "Chinese Fishermen Along America's Pacific Coast, 1852-1940" at the Chinese Historical Scoeity monthly meeting on Friday, Mar. 20 at 7:30 pm at the Chinese Culture Center. The Historical Society also planned a field trip to board and investigate a working Chinese junk on Sunday, Mar. 29, 2-4 pm at the Richmond marina.

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CHINESE WORD-A-DAY

"PAGE"

We don't have to argue the point that China has a civilization which can be traced back to thousands of years. But often we forget that the Chinese written language also has been around for a long, long time. Through centuries, the Chinese characters have changed in many ways. In style and looks, one period's writing may appear completely different from another period. Individual characters have also gone through changes in number of strokes, adding or subtracting a part, and reversing the placement of components in a character. Some characters may even lose its original meaning.

One such case is this characater "page."

Originally, it had the meaning of "head." The top two strokes represent hair. It may not be very imaginative. But writing one horizontal line certainly is far simpler than drawing a fancy hairdo. I'll go for this flat-top any day.

The middle portion is the

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character "eye." It is a squared off eyeball drawn vertically.

The bottom lines represent legs, and not the neck. In fact, ancient script even shows one of the legs slightly bent.

Putting them together, you have a weird looking picture which was supposed to mean "head" a long time ago and it now is the character "page." What a silly and confusing way to explain a character.

"Well, you haven't explained how it came to mean 'head' yet?"

"I know, I know. Don't disturb my trend of thought."

Long ago the Chinese used the character "leaf" for "page." A leaf or a petal sounds logical enough for a page. Since the present character has the same sound with "leaf," we feel that that was the reason for the switch.

Got to be on your toes all the time when you are studying a language with a long tradition. You never know when the ancient ancestors made the switch on you.

By Gordon Lew

Guangdong Forges Ahead with Modernization Programs

By FOLK KUHN

HONG KONG — High Guangdong officials told leading industrialists, bankers and newspaper executives from Hong Kong early this month of a decision to turn the province into a special economic area for construction projects. The visitors, Hong Kong resident members of the Fifth National People's Congress, attended a briefing in a Guangzhou by Governor Liu Tianfu and First Secretary Ren Zhongyi of the Guangdong Provincial Party Committee before they proceeded to Peking for a plenary session of the Congress.

While the much-heralded four modernizations of China is affected by a recent budget cut of 9.9 billion dollars and a 45% reduction in capital construction spending, officials in Guangzhou, the provincial capital of Guangdong, appear to be going ahead with the modernization programs.

The visitors from Hong Kong offered various suggestions for the development of the province. It is reported that Chinese and foreign financiers in this British crown colony might invest extensively in the construction and industrial projects should there be prospects of profits. One Hong Kong tycoon suggested opening of casinos in Shen Zhen, the border railroad town 22 miles north of Hong Kong. However, Governor Liu Tianfu said there was no such possibility and also turned down another move to have gambling on a ship anchored somewhere off the Guangdong coast.

WHOLESOME

Wholesome diversion was agreeable, according to Liu Tianfu, who expressed approval of a gold course and possibly some kind of country club, according to the local *Wen Wei Po*, a Chinese-language daily.

First Secretary Ren Xhongyi said that the Beijing government has taken considerable interest in converting Guangdong into a special economic and construction area. He called for coordination between Chinese in the province and those in Hong Kong. As reported by the *Wen Wei Po*, Ren said capitalism has defects, but its good aspects might be adopted for the sake of the financial success of projects under socialist auspices.

The gathering of high officials and Hong Kong magnates in Guangzhou was intended as a gesture of goodwill to this enclave. First Secretary Ren said that those people left mainland China for Hong Kong would be welcomed back to Guangdong if they are unable to make a living here. This applies especially to medical doctors who cannot practice here. (To practice in Hong Kong, doctors trained outside of Hong Kong and Britain are required to pass examinations in medical subjects and the English language and to undergo an internship. So far about 25% of outside-trained doctors have fulfilled these requirements.)

PROFITABLE

Some real estate speculators and industrial giants in Hong Kong, are interested in profitable investments outside Hong Kong. Hence, a local English dáily is regularly carrying advertisements of real estate for sale in San Francisco, other American cities and elsewhere for Hong Kong buyers.

These wealthy people might consider investing in places closer to home — like Guangdong province —provided the terms are reasonable. Chinese officials reason that if Hong Kong financiers jump on the Guangdong band wagon, well-to-do Chinese in the US and countries in Southeast Asia might do likewise. Hence Beijing is watching development in areas near Hong Kong. This policy had been decided upon long before the big contracts with Japan, West Germany and Britain were cancelled or suspended and before the approval of a loan of $550 million from the International Monetary Fund.

COOPERATION

To foster further cooperation between Guangdong and Hong Kong, Governor Liu invited Sir Jack Cater, chief secretary of the Hong Kong government, to Guangzhou in late March to talk about matters of cooperation and other issues of common interest. It is significant that Cater will be transferred to London as representative of the Crown Colony in Britain. It is possible that joint ventures with Chinese authorities might be presented to the British government for approval.

An informed source said that Vice Chairman Deng Xiaoping handpicked Liu and Ren for their present posts, though their previous experience was in posts in north and northeast China.

It seems that the implementation in the four modernizations areas of defense, industry, agriculture and technology may have its start in Guangdong ahead of the other provinces. □

Charles Y. Lee Named Oustanding Citizen of Seaside

SEASIDE, CA. — Charles Lee was named "Outstanding Adult Citizen of the Year" and Deborah Witt "Outstanding Young Citizen of the Year" in Seaside for 1980 March 5 at the City Council meeting. Mayor Glenn Olea presented the two with plaques commemorating the awards.

Lee, a high school instructor at Salinas, has served as chairman of the city's Art Commission for 11 years. He also served on the Seaside committee of Old Monterey Bicentennial and the 1976 Bicentennial Committee, and the Dept. of Motor Vehicles Citizens Advisory Committee. He has been active in the Chinese Culture Association, the Boy and Girl Scouts and his church. □

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A Scientific Trek Across the Wilds of Tibet

By MARY CASTAGNOZZI

SAN FRANCISCO — Dr. Lawrence Swan, professor of biology at SF State Unviersity, will present a slide/lecture about Tibet on March 26, at 8 pm in the California Academy of Sciences in Golden Gate Park.

Swan was one of 60 foreign scientists representing 17 nations invited by the Academica Sinica to participate in a symposium on Tibet and travel across the remote reaches of Tibet last May and June. Having been born and raised in India just south of the Himalayas and having climbed in the Himalayas on three different expeditions, Swan said the invitation to visit Tibet was a very unexpected dream-come-true.

BEIJING

The scientists first participated in a week-long symposium in Beijing in which nearly 200 papers were presented. Excitement and cooperation pervaded the halls as Chinese and foreign scientists hungrily shared notes, Swan said. Dedicated and hardworking, the Chinese scientists tended to be more specialized in their perspectives than the foreign scientists, who had broader backgrounds, Swan noted. Both groups benefitted from the other's strength.

After the week in Beijing — during which time the scientists were treated to a gala reception at the Great Hall of the People where Deng Xiaoping mingled among the guests trading quips through an interpreter — the group was flown to Chengdu, Sichuan (Szechuan), where flights to Tibet originate.

Flying from Chengdu to Tibet over the upper reaches of the Yangzi River and over towering peaks, Swan took out all his maps to carefully identify each peak as it passed below. Despite the sophistication of the maps, Swan reported that many of the peaks he saw from the air were not on any of the so-called up-to-date maps. He has since compiled his own chart of mountains over 12,000 feet in the region, and dots depicting these peaks practically block out certain areas.

WEALTH

Swan, who admits to having read all the famous 19th-century explorers' accounts of the impressive approach into Lhasa, was still overwhelmed to see the gleaming golden roofs of the Potola, the ancient hilltop palace of the Dalai Llama, as the group was driven up into Lhasa. Historically the center for the Tibetan theocracy, Lhasa remains the capital of Tibet, today known as the Tibetan Autonomous Region.

Some 120,000 Chinese live in Tibet today, Chinese officials report, and Swan noted "an almost apologetic air" among them in their dealings with the Tibetans. Although the old theocracy is gone — the Dalai Lama fled after an unsuccessful rebellion in 1957 — the Buddhist religion still survives, Swan reported. Temples are crowded with worshippers when they are opened for visits, Swan said, and huge religious paintings with "obviously fresh paint" are visible on sacred stones outdoors.

The group of scientists was guided through the Potola, which still contains "miles and miles" of religious paintings, artifacts, statues and a tremendous wealth of precious gems and gold.

ALTITUDE

Located at 12,000 feet above sea level, Lhasa proved inhospitable to three of the foreign scientists who were forced to return to the lowlands, Swan said. One scientist later suffered a heart attack precipitated by the altitude and was flown out.

The effect of high altitude on humans is an area which the Chinese are doing much research, Swan said. They have developed tests using nitrogen which can detect whether or not a person will suffer in high altitudes while the person is still at a lower altitude. However, they have not yet developed methods for decreasing one's sensitivity to the altitude, and expectant Chinese mothers still fly down to Chengdu to have their babies because the added oxygen facilitates the birth and is better for the babies, Swan reported.

From Lhasa, the group travelled in Chinese and Japanese-made jeeps along remote roads, many of which were constructed in 1973 and are literally carved out of the sides of mountains, Swan said. Despite the treacherous nature of the route, the expedition did not encounter any "close-calls," although Swan said that they were all mentally prepared for one. At one point, massive landslides had covered the roads, and their Chinese hosts considered flying them out, but a single lane for the caravan was finally cleared, Swan said.

REMOTE

The caravan travelled for 2 weeks through the remote reaches of Tibet, passing along the north side of Mt. Everest, and finally finishing in Katmandu. Numbering well over a hundred, the group of scientists, cooks and drivers stayed mainly at military installations, and were treated to many-course meals each evening, Swan reported.

The expedition was extremely well-organized and smoothly run, Swan noted. Escorting 50-some foreign scientists "of almost every possible personality" through the remote, cold terrain was no easy task, he added, but the Chinese succeeded admirably. He added that he was certain that "it must have been a relief to get rid of us."

The great number of data-gathering stations which the Chinese had set up in unimaginably-remote areas impressed Swan. The data is invaluable, he explained, because Tibet is a storehouse of information and has numerous unique and important influences.

As an example, Swan said that the weather in Tibet has a large effect on the weather in the US because it directly influences the winds and weather in norther Asia and the Pacific.

YOUTH

A unique geological aspect of the area is the mountains' youth and the way they have been formed, he continued. Only a few million years ago, the desolate mountains of Tibet were a rich savanna land inhabited by giraffes and tropical animals, whose fossils are now being discovered, he said. A certain type of "pillow lava" which is only found in ocean depths is also found in the high peaks of Tibet, Swan said, which also indicates the once low altitude and thin crust of the area. Swan himself even ventures to postulate that the ancient savanna lands of Tibet might have been a logical spot for early ancestors of man.

The Himalayas were formed as the Indian plate pushed against the Asian plate, Swan explained. Instead of sinking below the Asian plate, as is usually the case when two landplates are in such a struggle, the Indian plate actually pushed the Asian plate up, creating the vast heights of the Himalayas practically overnight (in geologic time).

As testament to this relatively recent growth, Swan pointed out that geese from India still migrate over the heights of Mt. Everest to summer on the lakes of Tibet, still following the migratory patterns begun while the peaks were much lower.

TUNDRA

Chinese scientists are active drilling, doing seismic work, dating rocks, studying soil composition, and studying the types of fish living in Tibet's remote lakes, Swan reported. The struggle between the Asian and Indian landplates are believed to directly influence the earthquakes which plague Beijing, he explained.

With the Chinese building more hydroelectric plants to provide electricity for cement and other factories, and more development planned for Tibet, Swan is concerned that the extreme delicateness of Tibet will be violated, with irreversible damage. Being a tundra region, plants only a few inches high can be 50 years old, and destroying them, however accidentally, can drastically alter the future balance of the area, Swan noted.

An area once well-known for its large population of birds, Tibet has many fewer birds today, Swan noted. He attributes this to the increased use of pesticides, as well as the lifting of the Buddhist ban on meat.

On the positive side of progress, Swan noted that especially-developed high-yield strains of barley and wheat now grow in vast, irrigated valleys, and the type of poverty which characterized the old theocratic rule is not present. In Lhasa, solar panels were even used to heat the hotel, he noted.

Swan spoke at length to his Chinese hosts about his concerns about violating the balance of the delicate tundra. They appeared politely interested, but he hopes that they will act before it is too late.

The proceedings of the symposium will be published later this spring by the Academica Sinica, Swan said. For information on his lecture, call 661-2023. □

Visitors and worshippers on the roof of a temple in Lhasa.

Oakland Asian Library Moves

OAKLAND — The Asian Community Library will close March 24 in preparation to move to its new site at 449 Ninth Street in Chinatown. The library will reopen at the new site on April 14 at 12:30 pm. The phone number remains 273-3400. □

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Don Hong Oai's Images of Peace Exhibited in Washington

By DAVE LAROCHE

WASHINGTON — An exhibition of photographs by Don Hong Oai, a 52-year-old Vietnamese of Chinese descent, is on display here now through March 31 at the National Camera, 1740 Pennsylvania Avenue NW.

Don, who fled Vietnam in 1978 on a boat, has also exhibited his works at the Chinese Culture Center, the Chinatown Photographic Society and at various fairs in San Francisco. The existence of his images and reproductions in these exhibits, is a tribute to the pride and etermination of Southeast Asia's refugees.

Many will be surprised to learn that these rare, classic scenes of a serene and timeless Asian countryside were shot in Vietnam. Don created them in the 1960s even as the war in Vietnam was dominating American headlines. Travelling throughout the fields, mountains, and sand dunes of South Vietnam, he exposed to photographic paper the artistic concepts he had learned as an orphan studying Chinese painting under the famed Cheong Kwen Cho. Sressing complete compositions in the Eastern manner, he often used two or more negatives and a conjurer's craft with the enlarger.

Morning Crossing, by Don Hong Oai.

FINE

Don and his cousin, who also fled from Vietnam in 1978, now live in San Francisco's Chinatown, in an apartment with a dining room that serves as a portrait studio, a makeshift gallery, and a gathering place when he invites his new friends over for a Vietnamese dinner. He is able to make his living by doing some commercial photography, and selling photos at artists' fairs.

Don spent his first two months in San Francisco painstakingly restoring those salvageable negatives damaged during his boat exodus from Vietnam. Working all day every day, his fine hands were able to make printable only 300 negatives from more than 30 years spent photographing Vietnam. He still must spend about half an hour spotting most of his prints with a hairline brush.

As dedicated as he is to preserving and presenting his images of the original beauty of Vietnam, Don is anxious to see and photograph his new country. He is up every morning at 5:00 am, his eyes missing nothing. On a recent trip with three photographer friends to the Napa Valley wine-making region, it was Don who saved the day by pulling an atomizer out of his bottomless bag to spray the crucial "mist" on the grapes. He especially enjoys taking his two 2¼ Mamiyas to the coast and to Golden Gate Park — and after a few hours in the darkroom he produces prints that again seem like scenes in Chinese paintings.

COMPLETE

But Don is eager to perceive contemporary American photography. He views as much as he can, and loves to discuss or debate artistic theories, especially composition. Frequently at his side is his new friend, William Chong, a retired Chinese American who translates for Don in gratitude for Don's photography lessons. Speaking in Cantonese — he also speaks Vietnamese and Mandarin, but no English yet — Don elaborates on his theory of photography.

Don Hong Oai's two prime photographic principles are that compositions must be complete, and creative control must be complete.

Although his images are notable for their dramatic natural lighting, it is their composition which is Don's true signature. His compositions are classic, simple, strong, balanced, perfect. But most significantly, they are complete. This concept, for Don and other connoisseurs of Chinese painting, demands representation of all aspects of the surrounding world. Don's thinking and seeing were formed in a world of Chinese painting, Eastern philosophy, and teeming humanity. These must be present in his photographs for the images to be complete. It is as impossible for Don to visualize a landscape without the human element as it would be for Ansel Adams to shoot Half Dome with a hang-glider jumping off the top.

CREATE

Don expressed his attitude best in response to a young American photographer who told him that he used his camera to "capture" images. "I *create* images," Don stressed. "There are an infinite number of images surrounding us, in parts or as a whole. I select the parts, and I create a complete composition."

To accomplish this, Don puts his magician's skills to work in the darkroom. Though he claims no conjurer's secrets, 34 years of printing experience and experimentation have enabled him to create his vision on the paper under the enlarger in the same way a painter creates on canvas.

Unnoticed by the most discerning viewers, many of his prints are made from more than one negative. He may take a farmer, monk, or fisherman from one negative, foliage foreground from another, and background with receding levels of trees and mountains from a third. The transitions are undetectible.

Don is aware that some photographers and critics disdain manipulated images just as some dislike populated landscapes. His artistic convictions run deep, however, and he has no hesitation in using whatever techniques are at his touch to create the most beautiful final print. Even in his war images, his work is not that of the photojournalist. Rather, it is the work of an artist bringing visual order and human warmth to the chaos and inhumanity of war.

(The above article was excerpted with permission from the publisher from the February 1981 issue of Photographer's Forum *published in Santa Barbara. Another article on Don Hong Oai was printed in* East/West *5/14/80. —Ed)* □

Miss Teenage Chinatown Pageant, Fashion Show

Twelve young ladies will participate in the Miss Teenage Chinatown pageant and fashion show, sponsored by the Chinatown Lions Club, to be held Saturday, March 21, at noon at Empress of China Restaurant. Casual Corner will provide the fashion. Tickets are $12.50 each.

list of contestants is: Julie Jung, Lisa Lee, Ariane Jew, Sheri Lee, Sheryle Wong, Belinda Lee, Jeannette Seto, Arnetta Lee, Kimberly Wong, Debra Yau, Betsy Chang, and Lisa Fung.

Great Wall Hotel, a US-China Project

BEIJING — A groundbreaking ceremony took place on March 10 for the Great Wall Hotel, which will be the biggest in Beijing when completed in 1983. Designed by Becket International of the US, the hotel is being jointly financed and built by the American E-S Pacific Development and Construction Co. and the China International Travel Service. Both sides will operate the hotel jointly for 10 years after which China will take over the entire hotel.

The 1,007-room hotel, which will be finished in mirror glass, will consist of a 22-story central building and 3 wings of 19 stories each. □

Dr. Ernest Wu to Speak in Lenten Lecture Series

SAN FRANCISCO — Dr. Ernest Wu, director of social service department at Cameron House, will speak on "Chinese Values In Christian Perspective" on Sunday, Mar. 22 at 2 pm at the First Chinese Baptist Church, 1 Waverly Place. Wu's lecture is part of the church's Lenten Lecture Series.

Dr. John Landgraf will speak on "Marriage in America: Past, Present and Future Tense" on Mar. 29 at 2 pm. A drama presentation, "The Faces of the Children" by the Fools Rush in Mime Troupe will take the stage on April 5 at 2 pm. □

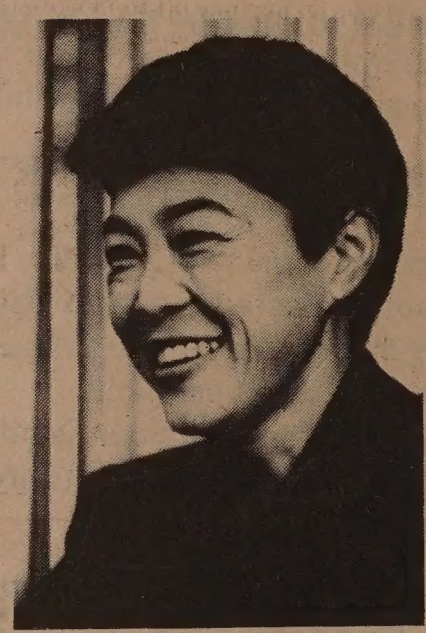
17th Graduation Ceremony of Chef Training School

SAN FRANCISCO — The Chinatown Community American Cooks Training School will hold its 17th graduation ceremony on Tuesday, March 24 at 3 pm at Salvation Army Chinatown Corps Building, 1450 Powell St. Director Sammy Louie invites the community to attend and "to share in this momentous occasion as the graduates take their place in the mainstream of the American way of life." □

Gloria Sun Hom Runs For Congress

SAN JOSE — Gloria Sun Hom has announced her candidacy for the 12th Congressional District. In her debut as a candidate last year, she ran a strong but unsuccessful campaign for the State Senate falling short by 0.07% of the vote (441 votes). Most of the established Santa Clara County Republican leaders, Asian American leaders, and the San Jose Mercury News were on her side. A Republican activist, she has attended both the National Convention in Detroit and the Presidential Inauguration. Hom is a member of the State and County Central Committees, and the President of the Palo Alto Republican Women's Club Federated, one of the largest Republican Women's organization in California.

She heads the economics department at Mission College, and teaches both in the fields of economics and political science. A fourth generation resident of Santa Clara Valley, she has traveled extensively throughout Southeast Asia as a daughter of a career diplomat. Her father, Patrick Sun, served as China's Consul General in San Francisco. Married to Peter D. Hom, a San Jose attorney and real estate broker, they have three teen age daughters, Patricia, Jennifer and Leslie.



Gloria Sun Hom.

The position is now held by Congressman Paul N. McCloskey who has stated that he will not seek reelection for this Congressional seat but run for the US Senate.

A Benefit For Chol Soo Lee in C'town

SAN FRANCISCO – A benefit to assist efforts to free Chol Soo Lee will be held Saturday, Mar. 21 at 7:30 p.m. at the Cameron House, 920 Sacramento St.

Fencer Connie Louie Aims to Compete in the 1984 Olympics

By TRACY HARRIS

SAN FRANCISCO — SF Police Officer Connie Louie may have to take time off in 1984 — to compete in the Summer Olympics. A nationally-ranked fencer, Louie is already entering tournaments that will qualify her to be part of the US fencing team at the summer games in Los Angeles. Competition, however, is nothing new to Louie.

Louie joined the SF Police Academy in Nov. 1979, but she has been fencing since she was 16. "In a way fencing is more important than my police work, because I've been doing it a lot longer," she said.

1984

Louie is ranked 14th among woman fencers in the US. Only the top five will be chosen for the US Olympic team in 1984. Between now and then Louie must compete in Olympic point events all over the US in order to improve her standing.

"1984 is my last chance," Louie, 28, said. "Fencers peak at around age 30."

Fencing requires both physical and mental strength. Louie now works less on her technique than on her mental preparation, she said. Control and timing are as important as physical agility. Just the time spent waiting to compete during a big tournament "takes its toll," she added.

Fencing has brought some rather pleasant fringe benefits to Connie Louie. She spent 1977-1978 in Paris studying fencing at the Institute of National Sports. Eight months ago she married her fencing coach at UC Berkeley.

ALTERNATE

Louie began fencing as an after-school activity at SF's Gallileo High School because it was something different to try. At first, she didn't like it. When one member of the girls' fencing team came down with hepatitis the coach had to persuade Louie to join the team as an alternate.

"When I joined the team I worked hard and was very competitive," Louie said. She has always been competitive in any type sport and didn't like being an alternate, she added.

Louie fenced while a student at City College and at UC Berkeley, receiving a degree in social welfare from Berkeley in 1975. It was her coach from Berkeley — now her husband — who suggested she travel to France.

"I had no career commitment or attachment to anyone. I wanted to live in France and see how good I could get at fencing," she said.

FRANCE

Her competitive spirit served her well in the difficult task of adapting to life in Paris. Louie, who had studied only high school French, found her first few days "terrifying."

"Things we take for granted, like using a public telephone, are so hard. At first I felt complete helplessness." Her parents, she said, were very supportive. They not only helped finance her trip, but gave her the moral support she needed so much.

Louie trained five to six days a week while in France. When she returned to the US she realized how much her fencing had improved. However she said she was "very discouraged" because the more aggressive style she acquired in Europe did not fare well against her American opponents.

Trouble finding a job after she returned from Paris led Louie to apply to the SF Police Department. Again, the competition was tough. There were written, oral, physical and medical exams.

CHALLENGE

"I didn't tell anyone I was going out for the police force because I wasn't sure I was going to make it," she said. Though the news that she had made the force was a shock to her parents and friends, they reacted fairly calmly, she continued.

Police work is a type of social work in Louie's view. It is also a challenge. "I didn't want a nine to five job," she said. "I also wanted a reason to keep my body in shape."

Louie usually works out Mondays and Wednesdays before going to work on the midnight shift. "The best practice for fencing is to fence," she said. She practices at the Halberstadt Fencing Club where her husband is a professional fencing instructor.

"You'd think if you marry your coach you'd get free lessons," Louie quipped. "But I've only taken four or five lessons from him since we got married."

Louie, who was born in SF, lives and works in the Richmond District. It is one of the quieter police districts in the city. "Working here is an advantage because when we get a call I know my way around," she said.

CAREER

Women working at the higher-stress stations often have to prove themselves to their male colleagues, Louie said. But despite the nature of her career and her athletic prowess Louie does not consider herself a strong women's rights advocate.

When I applied for this job I never saw myself as a Chinese woman going to the police department," she said.

Louie speaks Cantonese but has had more opportunity to speak French on her job. During the hotel strike in SF, for example, she had to translate for a French-speaking family angrily complaining about dirty linen.

Fencing has even contributed to Louie's ability as a police officer. "I'm real confident with a baton," she said. During training she easily learned how to use the 36-inch police baton. These are used mainly in riot control, and Louie has not had much opportunity to use it on the job.

HOBBIES

"I'm also studying martial arts," Louie said. "In my line of work it's a good thing to know." Though Louie, who is 5'3½", has never had a gun pointed at her, there have been times when her heart was "going like crazy. It's usually not until after the person's been caught that I realize how scared I was," she said.

"Working the midnight shift is really tough physically and emotionally," Louie added. Fencing and police work do not leave her much time for other hobbies. When she has the time there are many things she'd like to try.

"I'd like to study to be an athletic trainer or a bartender. I've considered going back to school to finish the Masters in Public Administration that I started at Golden Gate University. And I've always wanted to a waitress, maybe for a month," she said.

Louie wants to put in at least three to five years as a police officer so that she can really understand her job. After that there are many avenues within police work that she will consider.

Right now Connie Louie is concentrating on fencing in the 1984 Olympics. She will compete in an international tournament in Oakland later this month. In June she will go to Dallas to compete in one of the Olympic point events.

AMATEUR

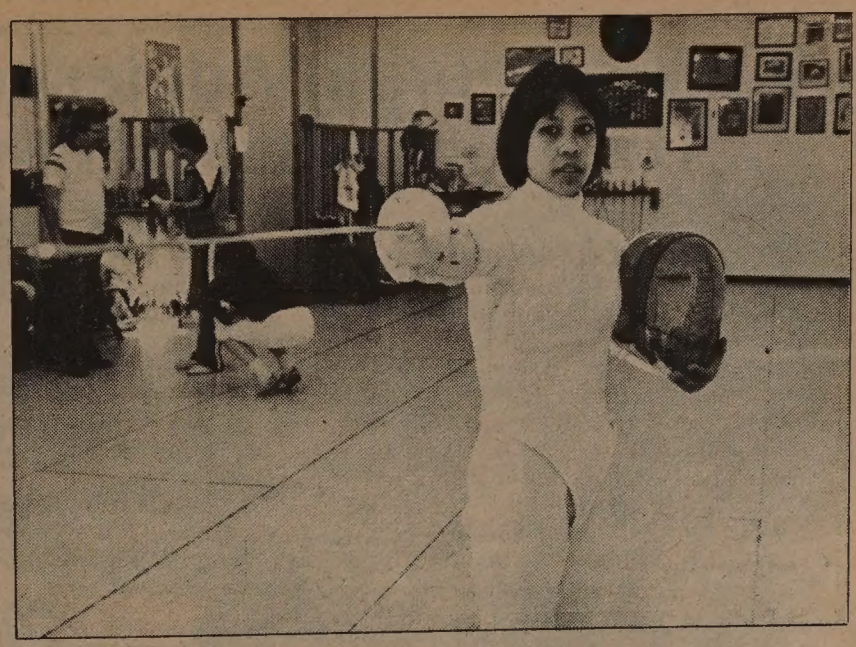
She is currently the only Asian in the women's American Olympic Squad. The squad is made up of the top 24 female fencers in the country. These 24 are eligible to compete in all the national events, including the four Olympic point events held each year.

Because fencing competition is all at the amateur level, the athlete must pay all the expenses. Completely outfitting a fencer — including the electronic scoring device attached to the foil — costs approximately $300.

This year Louie will remain mostly on the west coast. If she does well she'll spend the next two years taking time off from work to travel across the country, trying to win enough points to make the Olympic team.

Although the US "usually gets clobbered" in international competition, Louie said the excitement of competing in the Olympics is enough to spurn her on.

"I'm fencing because when I'm 60 or 70 I want to tell my grandchildren that I really tried and gave my all. I don't want to say that I had the opportunity to go to the top and didn't really try for it," Louie said. □



SF police officer and top fencer Connie Louie.
(Leland Wong Photo)

Chinatown Library Shows Chinese Feature Film

SAN FRANCISCO — The Chinatown Branch Library will show a Chinese film, "Story of a Woman Worker" on Friday, March 20 at 2 pm, and Saturday, March 21 on 10 am and 2 pm. The film won a supporting actress award in a film festival in Taipei in 1979. There is no admission charge. □

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Weathering Adolescence at The Chinatown Youth Center

Chinatown Youth Center staff gathers for a weekly meeting: (l-r) Rick Topkins, Sam Leong, Lorraine A. Lowe, Emma Woo, Diane Wong, Carol D. Chan, Jill Yee, Nancy H. Wong, Kenneth Lim.
(Leland Wong photo)

By MARY CASTAGNOZZI

SAN FRANCISCO — The Chinatown Youth Center at 1693 Polk Street continues to help youths weather the storms of adolescence by providing counseling and constructive alternatives to drugs and gang-involvement.

"In the broader view, the problems are overwhelming — substandard, over-crowded housing, lack of jobs, and all the rest — and we can't really attack them. We are just working on a little tiny aspect of the problems, but we're doing a good job. If you look up and see the massive problems within the community, it can get discouraging. But we have to keep on trying — these are people with very real, immediate problems, and if we don't help, they're going to be just so much the worse off," explained the Center's new director, Diane Yen-mei Wong.

A native of Seattle, Wong had previously served as executive director of the Washington State Commission on Asian American Affairs, as an attorney, and as an instructor in women's studies and Asian American Studies at Washington University. She has worked at the Center since December 1980, and praised the dedication of the Center's staff and two boards.

The Center's youth programs are preventive, not interventive as they were for a time when it was first founded in 1970, Wong explained. As such, they address the problems that may influence a youth's movement into gang activities and drug abuse.

Of the Center's three main service areas — counseling, drug education and employment counseling — Wong said that the employment section sees the most youths.

"All they want is a job . . . They're basically looking for security. They see the struggle of their parents to find work, and they don't want to worry about where the money for rent and meals is coming from," Wong explained. The youths are about 50% newly immigrated, and 50% American-born.

The employment component has four sections: direct placement, on-the-job training, work experience in non-profit organizations, and classroom training. Workshops are also given in interview techniques — how to fill out applications, how to answer questions, shake hands, use abbreviations, etc.

Most of the job placement involves clerical positions or jobs in restaurants, stores, and box offices, but Wong would like to see more professional-related jobs developed.

While many of the youths seeking employment information are self-referred or referred by friends, many of the youths seeking counseling have been referred by the Youth Guidance Center and school counselors, because of truancy, drug abuse, gang involvement or other problems, Wong said. And unfortunately, many wait until a crisis develops, instead of coming in when the problems are more manageable, she added.

"We try to build up the youth's self-esteem and confidence, so that they don't need approval from that type of peer (delinquents) . . .We try to help build up a support system that can help them make decisions . . . We try to help the youth understand him or herself," Wong explained.

"The problems aren't all culture-related. Just growing up — just adolescence itself can be trying. And then it's tough to deal with the problems in Chinatown — the unemployment, crowded living conditions, the stress," she added.

By providing constructive outlets for that stress and tension — by way of counseling sessions, sports, field trips, social activities — the Center hopes to divert the youth from involvement with gangs and drugs.

Conflicting cultural values can heighten the normal tensions of adolescence, Wong noted. As an example she mentioned the growing sense of sexuality that develops during adolescence.

"Traditionally, Chinese parents are very protective —they want their daughters to be very modest, and not go out at night. Meanwhile, the girls are bombarded with messages on TV, in the papers, at school — that are very sexual. This conflicts with their parents' opinions and can lead to problems," Wong explained.

SESSIONS

The traditional Asian reverence of education can be another source of conflict, noted Wong. Chinese parents often urge their children to go to school, "no matter what," believing that an education is the key to future jobs and success.

But for the children — who may face severe difficulties with language comprehension, find the curriculum totally irrelevant, or even fear violence— school may be a dreaded place. Bored and discouraged, they may skip classes and want to drop out of school. Not understanding the pressures their children face at school, parents may hound their children until serious family problems develop, Wong noted.

Opposing perspectives on identity — the individual versus the group — can also lead to conflicts between Chinese American parents and their children, Wong continued. A greater amount of assertiveness and individual action is required in American society than is required in traditional Asian societies. Often, this can mean that the children are faced with "two really different kinds of messages" from their parents and their peers, Wong added.

The 6 counselors at the Center see over 1500 youths each year, Wong said. Many of the counselors are bilingual, and they make great efforts to see the youths where they are comfortable: if a youth doesn't feel comfortable coming into the Center, a counselor may meet him at a playground or have a soda with him, Wong said. Some sessions involve outright discussion of problems and attitudes, or some may involve just going out to play some basketball and talking a little. As often as possible, the Center requests the parents to come in too, so that the entire family can work on the problems together, Wong said.

The counselors also have the advantage of being extremely empathetic with their young clients, and many times that empathy and sense of "having been there" is a crucial difference in the effectiveness of the therapy, Wong said.

For information about the Center's programs, or to volunteer to help in the employment component by providing a job or training for a youth, call 775-2636. □

State Board Hears Testimony On Bilingual Regulations

By MUN FONG

SACRAMENTO — "I know how hard bilingual education teachers try to develop bilingual education programs, but I would like to ask the hearing board how the bilingual cake is being cut and divided? Does everyone get an equal share of the pieces? How big is the piece for the Samoans in California? The SFUSD doesn't have a piece of the cake for Samoans, nor does it have any Samoan teachers. Indeed Samoans are so invisible that people have never heard of them before!" exclaimed Chief Mike Fanene of San Francisco.

The board, in the person of Dr. Allan Seid, thanked him for expressing his viewpoint. The occasion was the California State Board of Education hearing in Sacramento on regulations for Educational Services for Limited-English-Proficiency Pupils.

"The advisory committee as is presently written does not differentiate among parents of different linguistic and cultural backgrounds. The chances of the minority with the greatest number dominating the advisory committee is so great that it would leave those with, say, only 10 limited-English-speaking parents in one group out in the cold. Therefore, there should be a provision for the minority within the minority to be represented," suggested Vicky Jew of Sacramento.

FLUENCY

Mary Jew, bilingual coordinator in the San Mateo County Officle of Education thought that one-third of the students in limited-English-proficiency classrooms should be non-minority pupils on the same grade level of fluency in English, unless the school minority population exceed 60%.

She also wanted to share her experiences concerning monitoring and enforcement. She felt that the wording concerning monitoring and enforcement is excellent, but her experience is that neither the letter nor the spirit of the language has been followed in the past. The result is that credibility suffers concerning monitoring and enforcement.

There were three board members at this hearing which ran from 9 am-3 pm. They were Marion W. Drinker, chairperson, and two members: Lorenza Schmidt and Allan Seid. The hearing for bilingual education began around 1 pm and lasted till three.

STOMACH

But if a person wanting to testify had even one day earlier asked for a time slot, the secretary wasn't able to give it out, because the chairperson had the privilege of making changes in scheduling of the 11 other programs that were to be heard that same day. Consequently the contingent from the Bay Area, which left for the hearing between 7:30-8:30 am, had to sit and wait, not knowing when their program would be heard. So by the time 3 pm rolled along, it had been nine hours since they had any food in their stomach. One Asian American was shaking from lack of nutrition.

The contingent from the Bay Area was: Winnie Tang and Jim Okutsu of SF State University; Josephine Lee of the Oakland USD Office of Bilingual Education; Gloria J. Boris of Palo Alto Asian Americans for Community Involvement; Mike Finene of the SF Samoan community; Henry Woon of the US Department of Education; and Dolores Del Basco of the Oakland USD Office of Bilingual Education.

The final reading of the California Bilingual Education Regulations will be April 8. Those who want to see the final draft should write to the State Department of Education; Office of Bilingual Education, 721 Capitol Mall, Sacramento, CA 95814. □

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PROGRAM NOTES

(l-r) Xie Fang, Cao Yindi and Feng Ji in a sad moment in *Two Stage Sisters*.

'Two Stage Sisters' Opens Film Festival

By RICHARD SPRINGER

The full schedule has been announced for the Chinese Film Festival, titled "Electric Shadows," to be held March 27–April 2 at the Gateway Cinema, 215 Jackson Street. Leading off the program will be *Two Stage Sisters* (1964, 116 minutes), Friday, March 27, at 7 pm. (*Two Stage Sisters* will also be featured at the annual Los Angeles film festival, "Filmex," Monday, April 6, at 6:30 pm at the Preview House. It will be shown with a Chinese animated short, *The Cowboy's Flute*.)

The program at the Gateway will continue Saturday, March 28, with *Crossroads* (1937, 108 minutes, directed by Shen Xiling, with Zhao Dan and Bai Yang) at 1 pm. *Crossroads* is about the urban ills of the 1930s in China and "four unemployed graduates who attempt to maintain a sense of humor and optimism in the face of poverty."

At 3 pm, March 28, *8,000 Li of Cloud and Moon* (1947, 129 minutes, directed by Shi Dongshan and Wang Weiyi and with Tao Jin and Bai Yang) will be featured. The story is about a young couple in love as they perform with an anti-Japanese theatre troupe in China's interior before finally returning to a corrupt Shanghai at war's end. Tao Jin is coming from China to attend the Festival.

SHANGHAI

Street Angel (1937, 94 minutes, directed by Yuan Muzhi) is the 7 pm show that same evening. The story concerns a street musician (Zhao Dan) and a newspaper vendor (Wei Heling) for a song-girl (Zhou Xuan) and a street walker (Zhao Huichen) in Shanghai. The film at 9 pm is *Along the Sungari River* (1947, 120 minutes, directed by Jin Shan, with Zhang Ruifang and Wang Renlu). The film is about the Japanese invasion and occupation of Northeast China in 1931 and the misfortunes of a Manchurian peasant family.

Sunday at 1 pm *The Spring River Flows East* (1947, Parts I and II 94 minutes each, directed by Zhen Junli and Cai Chusheng, with Tao Jin and Bai Yang) will be shown. The film was the box office smash of postwar Shanghai and concerns a husband and wife separated early in the Sino-Japanese War. "While he eventually enjoys a new life (and a new wife) of wealth and debauchery in the wartime capital of Chongqing, she suffers humiliating poverty and misery in the occupied countryside and Shanghai. When their paths cross again, the result is shattering."

The 7 pm show that follows is *This Whole Life of Mine* (1950, 100 minutes, directed by Shi Hui, with Wei Heling) about a Peking policeman in the 50-year period before the establishment of the PRC. *Crows and Sparrows* (1949, 115 minutes, directed by Zheng Junli, with Zhao Dan, Wei Heling and Sun Daolin) follows at 9 pm. "Members of a boarding house band together (after much squabbling) against a KMT official on the eve of Shanghai's liberation by the Communists."

FESTIVAL

The Monday, March 30, film at 6:30 pm is *Dragon Beard Ditch* (1952, 117 minutes, directed by Xian Qun, with Yu Lan, Yu Shizhi). This screen adaptation of Lao She's play in the Beijing dialect concerns characters "who suffer alongside a vast open sewer until Liberation brings about a change in their fortunes." It's followed at 9 pm by *Fifteen Strings of Cash* (1956, 123 minutes, directed by Tao Jin), a Kungu Opera tale of a man and woman falsely accused of murder and the tracking down of the real criminal by a clever magistrate.

The 7 pm film Tuesday, March 31, is *The Lin Family Shop* (1959, 83 minutes, directed by Shui Hua), about a shopkeeper in the 1930s who goes along with corrupt officials. The film is based on a Mao Dun short story. Shui Hua will also be attending the festival. *Li Shizhen, The Great Pharmacologist* (1956, 114 minutes, directed by Shen Fu, with Qian Qianli and Zhao Dan) is set in the 16th century and concerns the father of Chinese herbal medicine. The visual style of this film has been highly praised. It will be shown at 9 pm March 31.

The 7 pm film April Fools Day is the comedy *Li Shuangshuang* (1962, 104 minutes, directed by Lu Ren, with Zhang Ruifang, Zhong Xinghuo). I very much enjoyed this feminist comedy about women in a Henan farming commune when it played at the Pacific Film Archive last year. The 9 pm movie is *Early Spring* (1963, 120 minutes, directed by Xie Tieli, with Sun Daolin), a love story about an urban intellectual in the 1920s who gets an education about small-town life. The last program Thursday, April 2, is *Serfs* (1964, 95 minutes, directed by Li Jun) at 7 pm and *Troubled Laughter* (1973, directed by Yang Yanjin and Deng Yimin, with Li Zhiyu and Pan Hong) at 9 pm. *Serfs* is about a Tibetan serf's struggle against corrupt priests and landlords. *Troubled Laughter* tells of the "anguish of an honest newspaper reporter during the 'Gang of Four' period."

The films are in Mandarin with English subtitles. Series tickets are six films for $20 or $4.50 apiece. Members of the SF Film Society or the Culture Center get $15 series tickets or $3.50 apiece. Opening night is $75 for those who want a cocktail party at the Culture Center and dinner at the Empress of China restaurant, but tickets for the film only (limited to about 100) will be sold at the box office at regular prices. There will be two seminars, "Evolution of Chinese Cinema: The Post–May Fourth Movement and Beyond" (Tuesday, March 31, 2 pm) and "Chinese Cinema in the '80s: Dynamics of Film Production in China Today" (Wed., April 1, 2 pm) at the Chinese Culture Center. Seminar tickets are $5 by reservation only, 221-9055.

The Opium War and *Woman Basketball Player No. 5* will be shown free for SF public high school students March 30 and 31 at the Gateway at 1 pm and 3 pm. A Chinese opera film in Mandarin will be presented for seniors April 1 at 2 pm at the Gateway. For information call the Film Festival at 221-9055. Incidentally, the Gateway has a capacity of about 400 seats, so some films, such as opening night, may be early sellouts.

SISTERS

• *Two Stage Sisters* is set in 1935, when the Yangchun Theatre Troupe is touring South China and performing Shaoxing Opera. A runaway peasant girl called Chunhua (Xie Fang), escaping an arranged marriage, is accepted by the group as an unpaid performer and becomes a close friend of the troupe's leading actress, Yuehong (Cao Yindi). After suffering hardships, the two women are sold to Tang (Li Wei), the manager of a Shaoxing Opera company in Shanghai. The resident aging star of the company, Shang Shuihua (Shangguan Yunzhu) is tossed out in favor of the new talented and younger performers by Tang, who has been keeping Shang Shuihua as his mistress.

The two friends are driven apart. Yuehong is adopted by Mrs. Shen, a wealthy patroness with lesbian tendencies; marries the corrupt Tang; and gives up her stage career. Chunhua rejects the advances of Mrs. Shen, refuses to perform off-color material, and, after the tragic suicide of Shang Shuihua, forms a friendship with a leftist female reporter. Her troupe's performance of an adaptation of Lu Xun's *New Year Sacrifice* is closed down by Tang and agents of the KMT. Without giving away the ending, let's just say that Chunghua becomes a dangerous person and Tang is told he must use his wife against her.

The best section in the movie is that involving the behind-the-scenes manipulations in the Shanghai opera company. The performance by Shangguan Yunzhu in a very small role as the aging opera star stands out. The two main actresses are also good, but the direction is a bit heavy-handed at times. And the courtroom scene near the end just doesn't have the dramatic impact that it should have.

Two Stage Sisters was one of the last films made in the Shanghai Studios before the Cultural Revolution halted all production. It was shown briefly, denounced and not shown again in China until the late 1970s. The fine photography and period setting in Japanese-occupied Shanghai make this a movie worth seeing. It's just too bad the film didn't concentrate more on the give-and-take relationship between the two "stage sisters."

OUTSIDER

• The Bay Area premiere showing of Tony Luraschi's *The Outsider* is March 17–24 at the Roxie Cinema, 16th Street at Valencia. It's a little gem about a young American (Craig Wasson) who goes to Ireland in 1973 to join the IRA. The young man is a Vietnam vet, who, disgusted by the realities of US involvement in that war, is driven on by stories he has long heard from his grandfather (Sterling Hayden), a veteran of the IRA during the Irish War of Independence a half century earlier.

The young man is an idealist, but bitter far beyond his years. This is a film that is best appreciated by not explaining details of the plot. Suffice it to say that the war that the young American finds in Ireland is not the one he expects, and he has an even bigger surprise when he returns home to his grandfather. The film has rough spots, but it's exciting, politically stimulating, and well acted. □

A bomb explodes in Northern Ireland in *The Outsider*, currently playing for one week at the Roxie Cinema.

Helen Wong, Wayne Lee Appointed to SF Aging Council

SAN FRANCISCO — Helen Wong, Wayne Lee, Edith Tanaka and 19 others were appointed to the Advisory Council to the city's Commission on the Aging recently.

Advisory Council members will represent neighborhoods in which they reside. Eleven members of the council were appointed by members of the Board of Supervisors and eleven were appointed by the Commission Board. As required by law, the Advisory Council must represent a broad cross section of the area population. □

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Marysville Honors Bok Kai With Peaceful Celebration

By LELAND WONG

MARYSVILLE – Joe Lung Kim sat in front of the Bok Kai Temple explaining to worshippers the meaning of their fortune sticks, patiently and philosophically. The occasion was the Bok Kai Festival (Bomb Day), held this year on the second day of the second month of the lunar calendar (March 7) in honor of the Chinese diety Bok Kai. The temple, which was built in the 1880s, is popular with Chinese and non-Chinese in Northern California. Many Marysville old-timers credited Bok Kai for saving Marysville, which is situated next to the Yuba River, from flood waters.

Marysville in the late 1800s was known to the Chinese sojourners as the "Third City" (San Francisco being the "Big City" and Sacramento the "Second City"). They received their blessings from Bok Kai in this boom town before setting out to the gold mines and fields.

Joe Lung Kim continuously beats the gong as he did for many years as pows are being fired off on Bomb Day. (Leland Wong photo)

Taiwan gave this Chinese arch together with a pair of stone lions to Bok Kai Temple recently. The arch was dedicated on the day of the Bok Kai Festival by officials of Marysville and the Coordination Council of North America, an agency of Taipei. (Leland Wong photo)

CHANGES

Kim, an 81-year old native of Marysville, has seen many changes take place in this once sleepy town. In recent years around the once thriving Chinatown, trees have been planted on the sidewalks, and intersections have been rounded to give a mall-like atmosphere. A plaza, gateway and a state historical monument plaque have been added at the entrance of the temple. Across the street, a giant Mervyn's shopping center has sprung up. Refurbished old buildings are for sale and more lucrative businesses have been moving in. Mama's Place, 49er's Liquors and numerous Chinese shops sit empty. Vacant lots are waiting for someone to develop.

As four o'clock came around, Kim who is curator of the Bok Kai temple, began loading the "pows" into a chest. A "pow" is like a giant firecracker made of rolled paper and resin wrapped with red paper. On top of each pow rests a ring made of wire and rope. Attached to the ring is a red ribbon with a random number. Also on top is a long fuse.

Beating a gong and amidst exploding firecrackers, Kim, with a temple banner, a chest of pows on wheels and a Bok Kai altar, led a procession down First Street.

LUCKIEST

People crowded onto the balconies and around the roped-off intersection of First and C Streets. The crowd made way for the procession to enter. After the altar was set down and temple officials made their three bows and placed joss sticks at the altar, a few strings of firecrackers were set off to begin the firing of the pows. A woman in her 50s, not willing to scramble for the ring, made a bid for the luckiest and most sought-after ring - - the number 4 ring.

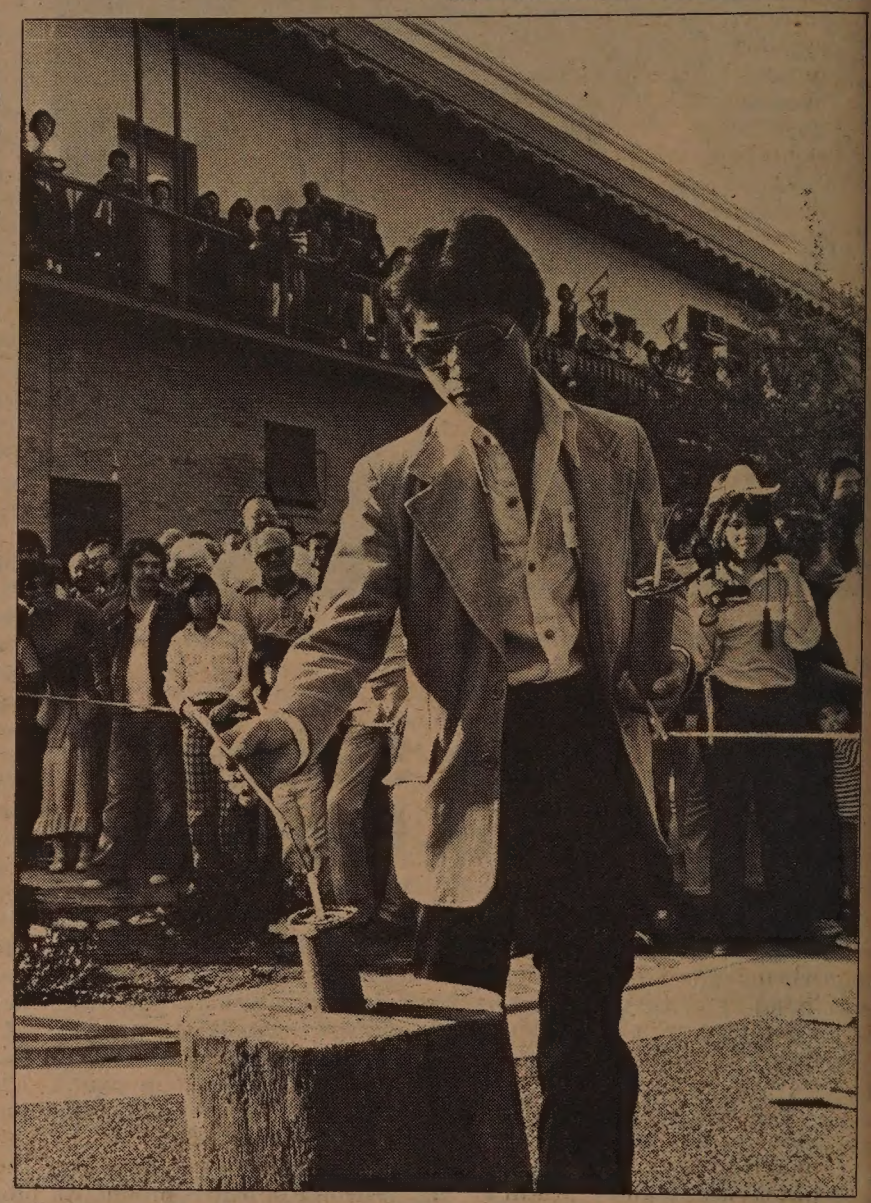
As Kim continued to beat the gong, a group of young men gathered in the center of the intersection. The pows were brought out of the chest, placed on top of two short log stumps and lit one at a time. Amidst a cloud of smoke, POW, a ring was sent rocketing into the sky as high as 50 feet upward. With their eyes scanning the sky, the young men shuffled their feet as the ring descended. A scramble occurred where each ring landed.

POLICE

In previous years, the scramble for the rings has oftentimes resulted in very physical scuffles. Sometimes one group would monopolize all the rings and assault any outsiders who caught a ring. Fights between rival groups erupted.

This year, the presence of riot-equipped Marysville police in force and a video monitor discouraged groups from fighting. As many as 20 pows were fired off. After the last pow, the log stumps were overturned and a few strings of firecrackers were set off to indicate the end of the celebration.

Beating the gong, Kim led the procession back to the temple. After sounding the drums in the temple, he hung up his gong, to be taken down again the next second day of the second month in the Lunar calendar. □



Pows are placed on log stumps one at a time and lit as a crowd looks on. (Leland Wong photo)

As the ring descends, young men scramble to catch the ring on Bomb Day. (Leland Wong photo)

Asians Lack Awareness of Disabled Rights, Services

OAKLAND — Imagine going out to dinner at a Chinese restaurant and being denied entrance because of your seeing-eye dog. Legal? No. But unfortunately, such incidents are not uncommon and indicate a tremendous lack of awareness about the rights of disabled people.

"Asian cultures traditionally put disabled people in a second class. Western cultures have too, but now there is more awareness," reflected Brian Leung. A casework counselor at the Oakland Chinese Community Council, Leung sees many Chinese clients who are unaware of the rights of and services available to disabled people.

LACK

"Legislation protecting the disabled has provisions which allow guide dogs into public places because they are an essential part of a blind person's life," explained Leung. The dogs are exceedingly well-trained, and will not misbehave.

Lack of accessibility into buildings and public transportation can greatly curtail the activity of a disabled person, Leung pointed out. Even finding housing with sufficient accessibility can be a major obstacle to independent living. Leung himself, who wears a leg brace from a bout with polio when he was two, is limited to living on the first or second level of a building which has stairs since they are cumbersome for him to travel extensively.

Persons with long-term or permanent disabilities who are unable to work are eligible for SSI payments, and Medical is available to cover their regular doctor visits and cost of special equipment (braces, crutches, etc.), Leung pointed out. Although the SSI payments have been cut recently, they still offer some assistance for the disabled.

WORK

Sometimes it is a difficult decision whether to accept the SSI, or seek work, Leung said, because although the payments are small, they are regular. Unfortunately, medical benefits are lost once a disabled person is able to support him or herself, Leung added, and the fear of encountering large medical bills often frightens people from seeking gainful employment.

Many programs exist locally to help disabled persons acquire independent living skills and learn employment skills, but few include personnel bilingual in Chinese or other Asian languages, Leung noted. The Center for Independent Living in Berkeley, the Independent Living Project in SF, Community Resources for Independent Living in Hayward, and various Department of Rehabilitation programs offer such programs, as well as counseling and referral.

Outreach is vital for these programs, but in the Asian community there are several unique aspects to consider, Leung pointed out. One-to-one contact is especially important in the Asian community, and a good knowledge of Asian cultural values is needed. Some Asian communities may have unique methods of information dissemination, Leung noted. As an example, he said that if he were doing outreach in the Samoan community, he would contact the community leader or central figure to distribute the information rather than going from door to door.

FULLER

Attitudes towards disabled people are often the greatest handicap of all. Many Asian families prefer to keep their disabled children "within the family" rather than sending them out to special schools or programs, Leung noted. This tends to encourage dependence on the part of the disabled, so that they don't learn how to get around more by themselves, and limits the type of experience they can have. It can also develop a sense of inferiority.

By getting out in the community — difficult as it may be due to problems of accessibility — a disabled person can gradually gain a new self-confidence and experience a fuller life.

Leung now tutors a blind youth from Hong Kong. Although Hong Kong has a school for the blind, the youth's parents kept him home because they thought the school was too far away. The youth is now attending a state school for the blind, and though he is exceptionally bright and capable, Leung said that he is still grappling with a low sense of self-esteem.

Pity is another threat to a disabled person's chances of leading a full,productive life, leung explained. Aside from harming the disabled person's self-image and self-confidence, such an attitude accentuates the person's disability rather than encouraging ways in which the person can lead a productive life, he noted.

People with physical disabilities generally fare much better than those with a developmental disability, said Leung, who is a member of the Committee on Asians with Developmental Disabilities, a group of social workers and community activities dedicated to improving services for the developmentally disabled. Developmentally disabled people tend to be "locked away" instead of receiving help, Leung said.

SERVICES

People with hidden disabilities — such as deafness or blindness — often encounter stiff resistance form employers, Leung said, despite the fact that hearing or sight may not be at all needed for the job.

Leung counts himself lucky. "My family was a little different than more traditional Chinese families. Environment is a factor, too. We lived in the suburbs... My family helped look for available help, and encouraged me to go to school . . . Probably that's what helped the most," he explained. Though born in Hong Kong, Leung came to the US when he was young, and he and his family took advantage of services available here.

The Department of Rehabilitation notified Leung after he left high school about the services they offer. As a result, he obtained funding from them to cover his tuitions and travel costs while he studied at the California Sate College, Hayward, first majoring in biology and later changing to social services.

People interested in information and referrals for services available to disabled people may contact Leung at 839-2022.

(*Next week* East/West *will report on the Independent Living Project in SF and discuss their services and programs.* —*Ed.*) □

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WASHINGTON — An Asian/Pac American radio program, called *The Gold Mountain*, is aired the first Saturday of every month from 9 to 10 pm on the Pacifica station, WPFW 89.3 FM. The program consists of interviews, announcements, music and occasional essays of interest to Asian/Pac Americans. In the past, the program has included topics such as the Charlie Chan film, Indochinese refugee resettlement, anti-martial movement in the Philippines, Japanese American redress, National APA Women's Conf. and the play "FOB." Comments and announcements may be sent to *Gold Mountain*, WPFW, 700 H St., NW, Washington, DC 20001. □

China Signs Panda Accord with World Wildlife Fund

GENEVA — China and the World Wildlife Fund signed a $4 million agreement last week to save the giant panda from extinction.

The Fund will put up $1 millon for a panda research center in Sichuan province, while China will spend $3 million on financing the program. The pandas are in danger of dying out because of the gradual disappearance of bamboo, their main diet. The current population of giant pandas is estimated at between 400 and 1,000.

Part of Wildlife Fund's contribution to the project will be a program to track pandas in the wild by fitting them with collars containing radio transmitters. The use of radio telemetry will help scientists to track the animals more easily, and thus learn more about their habits and habitat needs. □

Minority Performers' Directory Plans July Publication

NEW YORK — An annual directory of minority performers throughout the country is now being prepared by the Minority Performers' Guide, Inc., according to Lorrie Davis, president of the company.

For a "minimal fee," the company will print the resumes and photos of Asian, Hispanic, black, American Indian and other minority performers in their guide, which is scheduled for publication in July 1981. Davis said she is seeking minority singers, dancers, acrobats, actors, musicians, models, mimes, specialty acts, etc.

Deadline for the guide to receive performers' materials (photos and resumes) is May 15, 1981. Applications are available from the Minority Performers' Guide, 47 West 34th Street, New York, New York 10001; (212) 279-0794. □

Sihanouk, Khmer Rouge Fail to Reach Agreement

PYONGYANG — Prince Norodom Sihanouk and Khmer Rouge leader Khieu Samphan failed to reach agreement during their talks here on the formation of an anti-Vietnamese coalition in Cambodia.

An Agence France-Presse report said the Khmer Rouge refused to accept one of Sihanouk's conditions for the establishment of a united front: the disarming of all Cambodian forces should Vietnam withdraw its forces. The two agreed to meet in Beijing again in April. □

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NOTICE OF CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE REVIEW OF EXISTING REGULATIONS

Effective immediately, the California Department of Justice will undertake a comprehensive review of all regulations in Title 11, Chapter 1, California Administrative Code (Rules and Regulations of the Attorney General).

This review is a part of a legislatively mandated review of all regulations in the California Administrative Code. The Department of Justice's part of the review must be completed by June 30, 1981. The purpose of this review is to reduce the number of administrative regulations and to improve the overall quality of adopted regulations in compliance with Assembly Bill No. 1111. The review process requires that all existing regulations be analyzed and assessed against the five (5) specific standards listed below. Regulations that do not meet one or more of the standards must be either repealed or amended to bring them into conformity with the standards. The standards are:

(1) **Necessity.** Is the regulation reasonably necessary?
(2) **Authority.** Is the regulation based on a provision of law which permits or obligates the Board to adopt, amend or repeal the regulation?
(3) **Clarity.** Is the regulation written or displayed so that it is easily understood by those persons directly affected by the regulation?
(4) **Consistency.** Is the regulation in harmony with, and not in conflict or contradictory to, existing law?
(5) **Reference.** Does the regulation implement, interpret or make specific a statute, court decision or other provisions of law?

Between now and April 30, 1981, any person who wishes to do so is invited to submit comments to be considered in the review process.

It should be understood that this is a review of existing regulations only. Suggestions and recommendations for the adoption of additional regulations will not be considered in this review. Any adoptions, amendments or repeals of existing regulations resulting from this review must be proposed and considered through the regular rule making process as required under the Administrative Procedures Act.

Comments regarding the existing rules and regulations of the Attorney General should be submitted to Department of Justice, 1315 Fifth Street, Sacramento, California, 95814, Attention: Manager, Management Analysis Section. In order to be considered, comments must be received no later than April 30, 1981.

Copies of the regulations being reviewed by the Department of Justice (Title 11, Chapter 1, California Administrative Code) may be reviewed at Department of Justice Legal Offices in Sacramento, San Francisco, Los Angeles, and San Diego.

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WASHINGTON — "Asian-Pacific American Women Today: Where Are We Going Tomorrow?" is the theme of a leadership conference planned for April 4 at the Gramercy Inn in Washington, DC.

The conference, sponsored by the Organization of Pan Asian American Women, is geared to women who want to increase their leadership skills and occupational mobility.

Workshop topics for the meeting are stress management, assertiveness training, juggling career and family, political gamesmanship, and proposal writing. Other topics include advocacy, playing the corporate game, women in business, communication skills, and entering/re-entering the job market.

Keynote speaker is Julia Chang Bloch, recent Fellow, Harvard Institute of Politics, Harvard University, and former Deputy Director for African Affairs, International Communication Agency.

The conference fees are $25 (regular) and $15 (student). Lunch is not included. A fee of $50 is charged to agencies and organizations that wish to exhibit materials and services. Registration deadline is March 25.

For registration forms and information, contact the Organization of Pan Asian American Women, Inc., 2025 I Street, NW, Suite 926, Washington, DC 20006; (202) 293-7087. □

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Eat Healthy Week at Health Ctr. 4

SAN FRANCISCO — District Health Center #4 will celebrate the National Nutrition Month with a bilingual Eat Healthy Week program beginning Mar. 23.

- Monday, Mar. 23: Nutrition, Family Planning and Pregnancy. Classes at 9 am and 3:30 pm.
- Tuesday, Mar. 24: Infant and Child Nutrition Day class at 10 am, Chinese pastry crepe at 2 pm.
- Wednesday, Mar. 25: Teenagers and the Junk Food Habit. Class at 10 am, Nutritious snacks and junk food on display.
- Thursday, Mar. 26: Adult Health and Good Nutrition. Lectures at 10 am and 2 pm.
- Friday, Mar. 27: Dental Health for All Day. Demonstrations on the correct way of brushing and flossing teeth. Discussion at 12:30 pm.

During the entire week, there will be ongoing movies and displays at the center from 8:30 am to 4:30 pm. The center is located at 1490 Powell St. (558-3158) □

Dolores Wong Honored For Community Activism

Volunteer activist Dolores Wong was honored with the Los Angeles radio station KUSC-FM's "Woman of Achievement" award earlier this year for her contributions to the greater Los Angeles community. Executive producer Anne Kimball Relph (left) interviewed Wong during the ceremony.

Wong was a charter board member of the Chinatown Teen Post and served on the board of the Resthaven Community Mental Health Center. She now serves as an officer of Friends of the Chinatown Library, as an advisor to the Salute to Volunteers Program of the LA City Human Relations Commission and the LA County Human Relations Commission on Problems of the Non-English-Speaking Foreign Born, as a member of the Asian Pacific American Heritage Week, and on several other volunteer advisory boards.

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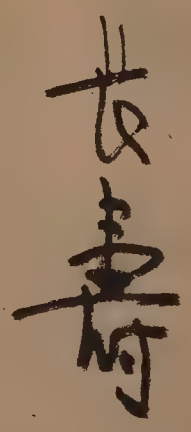

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THUR, MAR. 19, 5-7 p.m.
Reception honors Jack Chen and his book "The Chinese of America", Chinese Culture Ctr., SF. (989-9000)

FRI.,MAR. 20, 10 a.m.
Opening of exhibit: Tz'u-chou Type Wares, China Institute, 125 E. 65th St., NYC

FRI, MAR. 20, 2 p.m.

FRI,MAR. 20, 7 p.m.
Chinese American Assn of Commerce 1st Anni. Dinner, Empress of China, SF. (Cocktails at 6 p.m.)

FRI, MAR. 20, 7:30 p.m.
Eve Armentrout- Ma speaks on Chinese Fishermen along the Pacific Coast, Chinese Culture Ctr., SF.

FRI, MAR. 20, 9 p.m.
"China After Normalization" program on KQEC Channel 32.

SAT, MAR. 21, 10 a.m., 2 p.m.
Chinese film: Story of a Woman Worker, C'town Public Library, 1135 Powell, SF. free

SAT, MAR. 21, 9-12 noon
Free Glaucoma Screening at Health Ctr. 4, 1490 Mason, SF.

SAT, MAR. 21, 12 noon
Miss Chintown Teenage Pageant and fashion show, Lions Club, at Empress of China, SF. $12.50

SAT, MAR. 21, 7:30 p.m.
A Benefit for Chol Soo Lee, Cameron House, 920 Sacramento St., SF.

SUN. MAR. 22, 12 noon
SF Bonsai Society demonstration, Hall of Flowers, 9th Ave & Lincoln Way, SF. $2

SUN, MAR. 22, 2 p.m.
Lecture: Chinese Values in Christian Perspective, by Dr. Ernest Wu, 1st Baptist Church, 1 Waverly, SF.

MON, MAR. 23-FRI, MAR. 27
Eat Healthy Week program at Dist Health Center 4, 1490 Powell, SF.

MON,MAR. 23, 7-9p.m.
Discussion in Cantonese by Diana Ming Chan on "Child Rearing practices: East and West," at Commodore Stockton Auditorium, 950 Clay St. SF. 239-0666.

TUE, MAR. 24, 3 pm
American Cooks Training School graduation, 1450 Powell, SF.

TUE, MAR. 24, 6:30 p.m.
Asian Business League inaugural dinner, Holiday Inn, Union Sq., SF. (Gary Wong, 622 - 7282)

WED., MAR. 25, 7:30 p.m.
Dr. Michael Chan discusses rheumatoid arthritis in Conference Room A, Merritt Hospital, Oakland.(621-3976)

THU,MAR. 26,8 p.m.
Slide/Lecture: Across Tibet! by Dr. Lawrence Swan, Morrison Audit., Cal Academy of Sciences, GGPark, SF. ($5, $2.50 senior/student)

SAT, MAR. 28, 7 p.m.
The Great Bronze Age of China exhibit dinner/ball, Celestial Palace, 607 South Parkview, LA. ($150/person)

SAT, MAR. 28, 7:30 p.m.
United Asian Contrators' Assn. annual dinner, Shang Yuen Rest., SF.

SUN, MAR. 29, 2-4 p.m.
Chinese Historical Society field trip to see a working Chinese junk, Richmond Marina.

SUN,MAR. 29, 2 p.m.
Lecture "Marriage in America" by Dr. John Landgraf, 1st Baptist Church, 1 Waverly, SF.

SUN, MAR. 29, 6 p.m.
UPAC 9th Installation banquet, Mandarin China, 4110 W. Pt. Loma Blvd, San Diego. (Virginia Fung, 232-6454)

SUN, MAR. 29, 6 p.m.
Chinese Engineers/Scientists Assn. of South Cal. convention, Montebello Country Club, LA. (213) 535-3460

TUE, MAR. 31, 12-1 p.m.
C'town Advisory Com. of American Cancer Society meeting, Health Ctr.4, 1490 Mason, SF. (brown bagger, refreshments served)

SAT, APR. 4, 9-10 p.m.
Gold Mountain, Asian/Pac Am program on WPFW 89.3 FM, Washington DC.

Showcase '81 Seeks Local Performers

SAN FRANCISCO — Auditions for Showcase '81 are being held Saturday, Mar. 28, 9 am-6 pm, in McKenna Theater, SF State University. It is an opportunity for local performers to meet representatives of the entertainment industry and offers performers the opportunity to be seen and heard by people who hire talent. Deadline for registration is Mar. 24, a fee of $3 is required. (469-1072) □

Three Vessels Disappear in South China Sea

HONG KONG — A Chinese newspaper suggested recently the possible existence of a 'Bermuda's Triangle' in the South China Sea, basing its theory on the mysterious disappearance of three vessels over a 9-month period.

The *Beijing Evening News* reported earlier this month that three ships vanished without a trace between May 1979 and February 1980 within a triangular area bounded by Manila, Hong Kong and Taiwan.

"What is strange is that searches of the scene of the disappearance recovered nothing at all," the report said. "Some people therefore ask: Is there also a Devil's Triangle in the South China Sea?"

HISTORY

The paper said historical documents from 600 years ago recorded the strange phenomenon of ships disintegrating at sea on calm windless days. Southern Sung Dynasty documents described how water spouts suddenly appeared on the sea and no matter how hard the oars were rowed, the ship could not move forward.

"Finally it disintegrated in the vast sea," the document said.

The article compared the reported phenomenon to the so-called Bermuda Triangle where ships and planes have reportedly disappeared. □

Taipei Warns Free Zone Firms Not to Deal with Beijing

TAIPEI — The Export Processing Administration has recently notified all the manufacturers in the three export processing zones in Taiwan not to trade with Beijing.

An official stressed that "not to do business with Beijing" is the established policy of the government.

Trading companies, manufacturers and factories with branches and agents stationed abroad should heed the warning seriously, the official said.

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KYUU Staff Hosts Fundraiser for Newcomers Service

SAN FRANCISCO — KYUU staff members, current and former KYUU interns organized a potluck Chinese New Year's dinner on Feb. 28 for the Chinese Newcomers Service. The dinner, which was held at the home of Jane Morrison, KYUU Community Affairs Director, raised $1,375 for the Chinatown agency. □

Successful Red Cross Youth Program Attracts 400

SAN FRANCISCO — Over 400 people attended the March 7 fundraiser for the Red Cross Youth for Chinatown Elderly program, and $2,500 was raised, reported organizer Ann Lee. Hong Kong emcee Chang Chew Woo emceed the event.

The funds will be used to pay for small Christmas and birthday gifts for the elderly, refreshments for holiday parties for the elderly, and special educational field trips for the youths to museums and other places of interest. □

US Government Reprints CIA Map of China

WASHINGTON — The US Government Printing Office is making a CIA Map of China available to the public again. The map, published first in 1979, indicates geographic characteristics, major cities, railroads, population demographics, industrial activities and land utilization. To order the 25 x 31 inches map, send $2.25 to Public Documents Distribution Center, Dept. 11; Pueblo, Colorado 81009. (Item No. 154P1, Stock No. 041-015-00134-5) □

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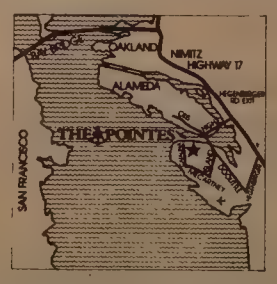

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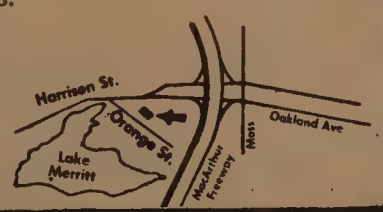

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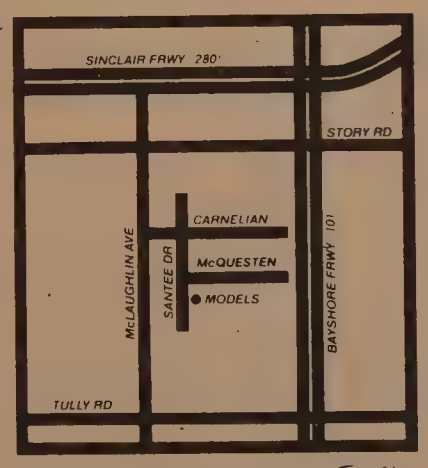

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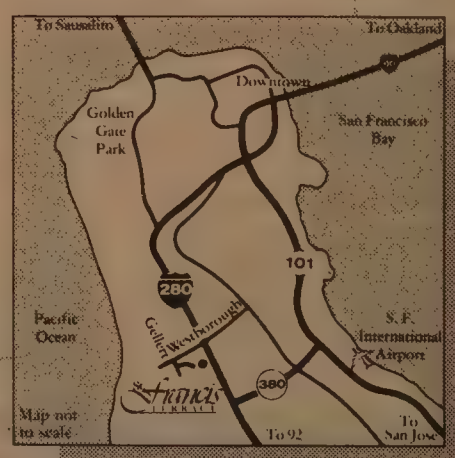

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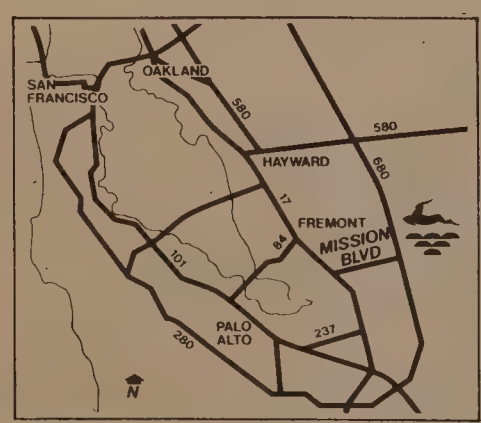

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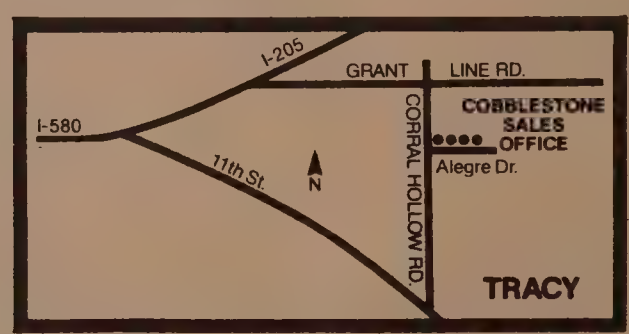

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關於中國的文字改革

金　楓

中國是一個多民族的國家，有的民族有自己的文字，有的沒有。目前全國共有十幾種文字，人們常說的中國文字，指的是中國的主要民族——佔全國人口約百分之九十四的漢族所使用的文字，它又叫漢字。

漢字是一種表意文字，每個文字符號都表示一定的概念，同時也作爲一個詞或者複合詞的一部份（即詞素）來使用。從語音構成的角度看，漢語裏每一個文字符號都表示一個音節，因而每一個音節一般都擔負着一個語義作用，而用一個漢字表示出來。

漢字記載着中國幾千年來的文化，它的表意作用使它具備了超空間超時間的功能。操着互不理解的方言的人照樣可以閱讀漢字，通過它進行思想交流，甚至非漢語的其他國語種也有使用漢字的。如日本文字，就夾用了不少漢字。（按：其中有的字或詞意義與中國不盡相同）

漢字在中華民族的形成，促進中華民族的團結，記載和發揚中國幾千年的文化方面，功績是很大的。但是，由於漢字圖形繁多，成千累萬，不經過學習每一個字的音、形、義，就無法閱讀和寫作。因此，和拼音文字相比，漢字是相當難學的一種文字。漢字的缺陷還表現在它不能像拼音文字那樣容易實現打字機化，也不適用於電子計算機。

中國文字的這些缺陷和局限性，有人認爲：只有通過改用拼音文字，才能根本上消除，而這些並非短期內所能實現，甚至也不是經幾代人努力就能實現的。爲了減輕漢字學習和使用上的困難，中國的文字工作者已從幾方面着手工作。

首先是對漢字進行整理和簡化。漢字的歷史，從甲骨文算起，已有三千多年了。歷代積累起來的漢字，數量龐大，約有六萬個，使用情況也較紊亂。一九四九年以後，通過對漢字進行整理，從這六萬個漢字中找出了現在通用的漢字七千多個，作爲一般字典的字條，又從七千多個字中篩出兩千個左右，作爲常用字。這兩千字被列爲初入學兒童和接受掃盲的成年人最先學習的對象。學會了兩千常用字，就能認得一般書報上百分之九十以上的字，具備了初步閱讀中文的能力。

在漢字簡化方面，將一批結構過於繁複的常用漢字加以簡化，於一九五六年予以公佈推行。這批簡化字共包括四百八十四個字，另外還有部份得到簡化的字（即只簡化偏旁）一千七百五十四個。目前這一工作仍在繼續進行，中國文字改革委員會準備再公佈一批簡化字，並於幾年內制定出一份「標準現代漢字表」。

其次，是漢語拼音方案的制定和推行。漢字是一種表意文字，每個字或表示一定意義和概念（作爲一個詞），或作爲一個複合詞的組成部份。至於每個字的讀音，則一般不能從它的字形上辨認出來。這種情況，構成了學習漢字的極大困難。近百年來，中國文字改革的先驅者和有志之士，就曾制定過不止一種給漢字注音的方案，用於減輕人們學習漢字的困難。一九五七年，中國文字改革委員會經過幾年努力，制定了一套漢語拼音方案。這套方案採用了二十六個拉丁字母作爲給漢字注音的工具，它以中國北方方言中的北京語音（即通常說的「普通話」）作爲標準語音。有了這套方案，學習漢字的困難就大大減少了。這個方案推行後，中國小學生在學習漢字之前，先學漢語拼音，並用它來作漢字注音，對學習漢語頗有幫助。許多有志學習漢語的各國人士，也從這套方案中，得到了方便。

中國的文字改革不僅在文字方面，而且也涉及口語。在中國的漢族中，各個地區，甚至同一個省的幾個縣之間，都可能存在着嚴重的方言分歧，有時竟達到互不瞭解的程度。隨着中華民族的形成，出現了民族共同語（也即漢民族的共同語）。歷史上曾把這種共同語叫做「官話」、「國語」，今叫做「普通話」。

中國推廣普通話的目的是爲了使漢語逐步趨於標準化，使其具有標準語音、標準詞彙（即北方話體系中通用的詞彙）、標準語法規範（現代典範的白話文著作），以期提高現代漢語的質量，從而提高廣大羣衆的語文水平和表達效率。通過這些途徑，可爲中國未來創造拼音文字打下基礎。雖然這是很遙遠的事，但一般人認爲：從現在起就得開始做。

中美動植物的親緣探索

甘　戈

中國和美國，一個在東半球，一個在西半球，隔着世界最大的大洋——太平洋，兩者最近的距離也有一萬六千公里之遙。但是，兩國却有一些動、植物有着密切的親緣關係，有相同的起源。其中最突出的例子是鵝掌楸和鱷。鵝掌楸是落葉闊葉樹，生長快，樹似塔形，樹幹通直，是很有前途的綠化風景樹。鵝掌楸屬的植物，全世界只有兩個種，而且只有中國（浙江天目山和湘鄂一帶）和美國（東部）各有一種，世界其他地方都沒有，成爲中、美兩國特有的樹種。鱷是一種爬行動物，全世界現存的鱷類共有二十五種，大部份都是體型較大、性情兇猛的食肉動物，有的還能遠涉重洋。惟有生活在中國長江下游地區的揚子鱷和美國密西西比河一帶的密河鱷，體型較小，喜歡在淡水中活動，不能在海洋中作長途旅行。這兩種鱷有着十分密切的親緣關係，動物學家把它們歸爲爬行網的同一個科。

然而，寬度只有四十公里左右的龍目海峽，却成了亞澳兩洲動植物區系的分界線，海峽兩邊的動植物完全不同。亞洲是老虎的故鄉，許多亞洲國家都有老虎的分佈；越過龍目海峽，在龍目島以東便從來沒有老虎的影子。

澳大利亞的植物與亞洲也有很大不同。那裏的特種植物特別多，比如澳大利亞是形形色色桉樹的原產地，品種多達六百種，而廣袤的亞洲大陸則無桉樹分佈，現在亞洲和中國長江以南各地的桉樹是從別處引入的。亞洲則是榕樹、樟樹等植物的故鄉，而澳洲也沒有這些樹種。

爲什麼亞、澳兩洲近在咫尺，而動、植物種類却種不相同呢？說法不一。其中一說是：早在狼、虎等眞獸在地球出現之前（約在第三紀前），這兩個洲就分開了：亞洲兇猛的食肉獸不能到達被海洋包圍的澳大利亞；那裏的原始獸類鴨嘴獸、袋鼠等可以偏安一隅，得以繁衍。

而被太平洋隔開的中國和美國，爲什麼又有着親緣關係密切的動、植物種類呢？這一點，至今科學界還是解說不一，其中一說認爲是氣候的原因。根據地球氣候變遷史，鱷類和鵝掌楸在地球開始出現的時候（中生代和新生代前期），地球上的氣候是相當炎熱的，那時的歐亞和北美同是林木繁茂的暖溫帶或亞熱帶；後來地球在第四紀發生了冰川，氣候變冷，一些溫帶、亞熱帶動、植物便南遷避難。由於中國和美國處在大致相同的緯度上，氣候相當，於是便有一些親緣關係密切的動植物保存下來，鱷類和鵝掌楸就是其中之一二。

金山客批世情

＊平地起風雲

香港選出風雲人物，地產商李嘉誠當選。

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＊避與鼻

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金山客曰：以鼻而免，亦避免也。

＊非長壽

世界最高男人八尺二寸之柯勒逝世，享年五十五歲。

金山客曰：此人「長」而不「壽」。

＊刺激

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金山客曰：烟、酒、咖啡均屬刺激品，多飲多食有礙健康，但戒除烟酒咖啡，則人生尚有何刺激？

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中國河山錦綉。喘急的黃河、壯麗的巫峽、寧靜的天池、嫵媚的西湖，風魔了多少人。雄偉的泰岱、陰險的華山、迷蒙的衡岳、神祕的匡廬、清涼的峨嵋，顛倒了多少人。而最醉人、最迷人的是黃山，就好比墨綠絲絨盒裡滾着幾顆明珠，似動非動，似靜非靜，閃出了一幅鮮蹦活跳的絕妙景色。

黃山在安徽南部。面積約計一千二百平方公里。主峰高達一千八百米以上。秦代稱黟山，唐朝天寶六年，改名黃山。峰巒層疊，天都峰、蓮花峰、香爐峰、始信峰等大小七十二峰，峰峰相連。奇松、怪石、雲海、温泉等四絕之外，還有湖、溪、潭、瀑等美景。石筍矼之妙，翡翠池之碧，要不是身臨其境，是萬難想像的。古往今來，歌黃山、畫黃山的文人雅士不計其數，但是黃山的美難歌難描，他們只是道出世界上沒有任何風景區能比得上黃山的。早在前年九月，他到杭州時，就準備上黃山。曾向當地中國旅行社打聽過途徑。回答說是，可僱汽車去，但又說，不信他能爬得上黃山，因爲除了步行山徑之外，再也沒有其他辦法。（即使今日也是如此，雖有建上山纜車的說法，但尚未付諸實施。）他只得改去杭州附近的莫干山。莫干山不高也不險，可是只走了一小段路，已經氣喘吁吁。要上黃山，恐怕正如中旅行所暗示的，力不從心。儘管如此，他上黃山的心不死。回美國後，每晨鍛鍊，上下石級，走路跑步，增體力强腿脚。有志者事竟成。去年他到底攀登了黃山。俗話說，上山容易下山難。他從前山上山，後山下山。下山道難行，等下了山，膝蓋骨酸痛了多日。即使今日，他談到此事，還是歡喜不已，說是儘管酸痛也值得，他還要再去，黃山實在太美了。

黃君告記者說，今日從美國去黃山的時間短多了。美中已經恢復直航，如從三藩市出發，不過十餘小時，便可飛達上海。然後或乘飛機或坐火車轉道杭州。從杭州，或乘長途公共汽車，或僱小汽車，大約一小時半可到黃山脚下。從杭州到黃山共計二百八十三公里，僱小汽車（一般是上海牌轎車）去，車費是人民幣六百元左右（約四百美元）。

接着黃君談到了這次旅程。他們先到濟南。濟南是山東省會，頗有江南風光，大明湖等名勝古蹟不在少數。他們在濟南辦完商務，便至孔廟的所在地曲阜，然後轉泰安，至泰山。

泰山爲五岳之一，海拔四千多尺，是古代帝王舉行「封禪」儀式的地方。四書五經時有提到泰山。孔子有「登泰山而小天下」說法；孔子也自喻爲「泰山梁木」，有「泰山其頹乎，梁木其壞乎，哲人其萎乎」之句。司馬遷也有「死或重于泰山，或輕于鴻毛」之句。從「泰山北斗」，「安如泰山」等成語中可以看出，泰山往往是高、穩、重等詞的代名詞。自古以來，泰山就享有雄偉的盛譽。山上建有不少寺廟，向來是善男信女朝拜的地方。據黃君說，即使今日，他們也見到不少老婦蹠蹠跰跰，千辛萬苦地爬上山。

舊時代，上泰山，富人往往坐轎子；新時代，轎子已放進歷史博物館，要上山，只有靠兩條腿。去年，泰山脚下新開了一家旅館，方便遊客憩宿。黃君一行是從泰安一路步行上山的。晨九時出發，經萬仙樓、壺天閣、步天橋，到中天門已近中午。在招待所午餐後，再攀登一千七百級石級，到南天門。古時認爲南天門是高入雲霄的極高點，什麼天門，天街，都標一「天」字，無非是說明那裡已高在天上。天街是泰山最高的一條道，建有觀日亭、望河亭，形成泰山四景：「旭日東昇」，「晚霞夕照」，「黃河金帶」與「雲海玉盤」。日出麗景既在眼前，滾滾黃河也在眼底。黃君一行在泰山頂上的岱頂賓館宿了一夜。翌日便步行下山。可惜老天不幫忙，泰山看日出這一奇觀只能留待他日了。不過，他們的攝影機還是拍下不少泰山美景。

到黃山，一是取道杭州，另一是經蕪湖，轉歙縣。黃君一行走的是後一條路線。他們先到安徽合肥，處理商務。原來準備從合肥飛屯溪，再坐車到黃山。但當時天氣不好，飛機不開，他們只得改乘汽車，到蕪湖宿了一夜，然後經歙縣，直駛黃山。

在黃山他們一共住了五天。頭一天宿于黃山賓館。洗了温泉浴。據黃君說，温泉浴不可不洗，有益身心健康。時至今日，黃君談到温泉浴，還是連聲讚美，可見温泉浴給他印象之深。第二天，他們從前山拾級而上，「迎客松」歡迎他們到了玉屏樓。玉屏樓原是文殊院，現已改爲旅館。青燈紅燭的廟宇，而今也多少添了些現代設備，要不是經人指點，誰也不知這本是寺院。周圍一帶，蒼松怪石，比比皆是，陣陣松香飄來，使人洗脫了俗世煩惱。在玉屏樓住了一宿，清晨，「送客松」頻頻點首，歡送他們上程。他們歷盡艱辛，翻過黃山最高峰——蓮花峰，終于到達北海賓館。兩天之間，一路所見，真是美不勝收，決非筆墨所能描繪，同一山峰上的怪石，這邊看，可以稱爲某某石，那邊望，又可叫某某峰，千奇百怪，有時被雲霞掩蓋部分，又成另一番景色。這樣仙境也似的風景區，竟有遊客不知愛惜，果皮烟蒂紙屑隨地亂扔，據黃君說，怪不得香港報上提出「救救黃山」了。

他們在北海賓館住了兩夜。黃山天氣多變，有時雲霧終日，忽濃忽淡，時聚時散。一次，黃何兩位在北海一坐坐了四小時，四下裡始終是白茫茫一片，忽然間，霧散天開，可是，兩人都沒有帶照相機，何君立即奔回賓館去取，誰知道，等他趕來，四下裡又是白茫茫一片了。雲霧妨礙了他們拍照的機會，直到他們取道後山下山，經過始信峰時，突然霧散日出，他們才照下了一張理想而美妙的黃山照。

這幀黃山始信峰，確有特色，除了給這次影展添色之外，也給人一種精神鼓勵——有志者事竟成。

山村。

黃山始信峰（黃文友、何振雄攝）

下午茶座

劫機

巴基斯坦反政府份子騎劫一架巴航客機，經過十三天，後因巴政府答應釋放數十名政治犯，劫機者乃在叙利亞向警察投降。美國國務院發言人稱劫機份子在阿富汗時得蘇軍供應輕機關槍，譴責莫斯科縱容恐怖份子。唯蘇方對美國指控認爲無事實根據，並稱蘇聯從不支持恐怖行動。

茶叙中甲君說：「航空公司和機場應有安全檢查，不應讓手槍炸彈等漏網。」

乙說：「世界各地機場多。安全檢查也沒有劃一的規格。有的機場嚴緊，有的機場查也不查。例如甲市機場查得嚴，飛機中途站却是個不大檢查行李的機場。而劫機者在這裡上機，那就糟糕了……。」

內說：「一些航空公司有便衣特警隨機保護，他們身懷手槍，會和劫機者火拼的。」

乙說：「不要以爲這樣安全。在機中開火，不但容易傷及乘客，更易打中油箱着火。在空中開槍傷及機身更是危險。」

甲說：「我看只要全世界的國家都譴責劫機行動，不給劫機者保護。他們沒有地方可去，自然沒有人要劫機了。」

這就是一個難處。世界正是還有一些如古巴、利比亞的國家，公然收留劫機者。還有一些國家支持恐怖行動。只要這些國家的態度不改變，所有客機都有被劫持的危險。

（陳志福）

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一八四、香港話舊

近年來，熱鬧繁榮的香港，蒙上一片陰霾，居民心中經常有一項解不開的結，在種種繁榮景象的後面，呈現着一個隱憂，就是九龍租約僅餘十七年，即將到期，前途茫茫，沒有人能預料這變化的後果。

事實上，香港是海外華人建設最發達的社會，名爲英國殖民地，其實目前英國的治理權沒有殖民政策的支持，依靠的是中國政府的友善合作，和當地華人的擁護。在各方有利的條件下，香港才能繼續保住它的地位。

歷史的演變，不依人的意志而轉移。香港也是一個例子。雖然現在大家願意維持香港現狀，但歷史條件促使香港地位的改變。最近英國政府修改了公民法令，對海外屬地的英籍人民有所區別，更使香港的兩百多萬英籍華人加重了顧慮，恐怕一旦香港地位轉變，他們不能移居英倫。

回憶我首次來香港是在一九三三年秋的九月杪。那時民用空運尚未開端，我從上海調職往廣州，搭挪威輪經香港，停泊過夜時，上岸遊覽半日。當時據說香港人口約三十五萬人，幾乎全部居住在港島，九龍還是十分荒僻，尖沙咀區僅有半島酒店供旅客居住，離酒店不遠就見一座座的貯油庫，四周全是草地，民居稀落。

在廣州居留時，適值「西南政務委員會」與南京國民政府分治時期，市面繁榮，商業發達，省港渡旅客往來不絕。那時人們都不願往香港，因居住條件不如廣州舒適，往港僅爲採辦貨物進口而已，非商人都不願去港島。

我在廣州任職期間，曾偶往香港遊覽，初次往港尚未明當地習慣用語，想乘車遊山頂，不知如何喚「的士」，因在廣州乘慣「野鷄車」，也不懂什麼是「巴士」，廣州叫長途汽車。記得在「海陸通」餐館吃了一頓西餐，花了四毫子。後來再往港幾次，在百貨公司買些衣衫日用品，逛逛馬路。

大戰結束後，一九四六年夏，我在上海經商，押運貨物搭招商局輪，首次航行往廣州，經港停泊，上岸觀察光復後的港島。那時英軍接防不久，九龍尚駐有中國軍隊，居民逐漸歸來，市面上戰痕斑斑，瘡痍滿目，灣仔一帶街道兩傍盡是破殘民居，到處可見瓦礫堆，街道上遺有砲彈炸成的深坑。那時祇行人力三輪車，由座後的車夫脚踏推動，經過深坑時，車子跳起三尺高，把烟斗中燃着的烟絲，拋落我身上，當時不覺，下車時發現西裝外衣上燒了一個大洞。

此後我在廣州主持營業，設分號于香港，常來往兩地，目覩香港的興起，一九四七年時人口據稱已近百萬，破屋逐漸重建，市面迅速恢復舊觀，不少從後方復員東返者，經過港時就停留下來，意存觀望。當中國政治局面動盪時，非粵籍人士來港者愈來愈多，市面也更繁榮起來。

值得一提的是香港當局的實事求是政策，例如在鼓勵重建香港時，政府提供低息貸款，最高額達四萬元，在當時是一個可觀的數字，足以用來建築一座有相當規模的廠房。勝利後華人的地位也受到英人的重視，回憶我那時出入各港府機構及英商公司銀行，均受到極有禮貌的接待。

一九四九年國民政府遷台時，香港成了重要的轉口站，不少在中國任職的中外籍公務員及工商界人士均聚集在香港，真所謂「冠蓋雲集」，在公共場所有時見到院長、部長、董事長等人物。同時，香港逐漸興起製造工業，以紡織廠開其端，在港府竭力扶助下，一個原來是轉運商業港口，變成工業產地，逐步進入國際貿易的圈子。

以往三十年內，香港工商業飛速發展，帶來空前的繁榮，人口隨着急增，竟達五百餘萬，由于華人的勤奮優良傳統，生活條件不斷改善，在特殊的政治局面下，成爲華人最嚮往的天堂。

香港的轉變，最理想是能成爲一個「自治區」，讓它作爲一個「自由經濟」的「試驗地」而繼續生存，對中國的未來發展，能有無限的貢獻。

三言兩語　租金

據世界實業統計，香港商業樓宇租金已高達每平方英尺每年港幣二百八十餘元（合五十三美元）。比日本還要高，與美國是無法相比了。

可是世界還有的地方比香港租金高，那就是巴西。聞說巴西兩大港的商業樓宇租項高至每平方英尺每年美幣六十元者。

巴西本是個資源富足的國家，可是近年經濟動盪，貨幣狂貶，貧富懸殊，政局不穩。如果香港繼續要走巴西的道路，不是一件好事。（黃就）

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短聞

★屋崙亞洲圖書館將於三月廿四至四月十三日搬遷中停止開放。新北在華埠九街四四九號。四月十四重新開放。服務時間是星期二四下午十二時半至八時，星期三五六上午十時至五時半。星期日、一休息。（二七三—三四〇〇）

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政府削減經費 經已開始裁員

（本報訊）雷根總統要削減政府經費，把部份政府資助輔助失業者的計劃取消或裁減，已影響到本市市府中的CETA部門。這部門主要職責是訓練失業者一門手藝和協助他們就業。現有一千三百人工作，其中一百八十二人已在上週接到被辭退通知。該部主管人稱，不久後整個部門要解散。到今年九月卅日，這一千三百人會進入失業者行列。

第一批被辭退的包括華語電話服務綫接綫員，市立醫院翻譯人員，一些清潔街道人員，陪同老人外出的服務員，爲老人駕小巴士的司機，幼兒園工作人員，還有藝術委員會的一些學徒。

該部門的一千四百萬經費在今年被削去五百卅萬。但仍能主辦今年暑期的青年工作計劃，協助五千名青少年找尋暑期工作。該部門的一些工作人員，現正轉到這暑期工作計劃中服務，短期內仍有薪金。

對青年人來說，今年暑假做工可賺多一點錢，因爲最低工資已增到每小時三元三角半。但該部門的經費有減無增，因此工作職位將被削減。

聯邦政府勞工部長最近宣佈，因政府削經費裁員而被辭去者，可在一個二億四千五百萬的基金中申請失業救濟。而不在現在的失業保險費中領取。這基金也就是從削減失業者訓練等計劃所抽出來的。

州政府發言人也說，如被聯邦政府裁員而失業者，州政府中如有空缺，將優先取錄。

雷根總統希望在削減公衆服務的計劃中，到一九八二年可節省三十六億元。

Joe Lung Kim sitting in front of the Bok Kai Temple explaining to a worshipper her fortune. (Leland Wong photo)

周錦龍先生替人詳籤時攝（黃英偉攝）

周錦龍與北溪古廟

（本報訊）三月七日（農曆二月初二）是北加州尾利允（Marysville）埠的一個高興的日子。這一天是一間華人古廟供奉的北溪誕辰。不但華人從舊金山等地趕來，鄰近的人也攜男帶女，來看熱鬧。

這一天，最忙的人可算是北溪廟廟祝—八十一高齡的周錦龍老先生。周先生整天在廟中忙着招待來客，還要替求籤的人解籤。他對記者說：這廟興建在一八八〇年間，那時候，因爲尋金熱和附近塡土開發都要用很多華工，尾利允結集華人以千計。他們遠自中國來到美國謀生，也請來了他們所供奉的神明。

據說一次附近的余伯河泛濫，不知淹沒多少村落，唯有尾利允沒有受到水患，之後白人和華人都說是因爲北溪神的保祐，對這古廟更加愛護。

周先生在尾利允出生長大，眼看這幾十年的大變遷。現在埠中華人少了。華埠也變了樣。北溪古廟得台灣人士贈送了一座牌坊和一對古獅，也得到加州歷史委員會指定爲「加州歷史名勝」，安上銅牌，受到保護。

北溪古廟前現建立一座牌坊，兩旁有一雙石獅子。是台灣人士所贈送。（黃英偉攝）

那一天下午四時，周先生親自把有號碼的「炮」帶出古廟，他手持銅鑼和廟旗，由北溪神位領先，步行到第一街。在禮儀完成後，鞭炮聲響，火藥也把一個個「炮」射到高空。幾十名青年正在爭搶掉下來的「炮」。大家都希望得到幸運的四號炮。有人還願意以高價收買呢！

以往，搶炮常常引起青年幫派打架。今年警察出動了防暴隊，還用錄影機錄影現場實況。結果青年們都很守法，沒有意外發生。

周先生繼續打着銅鑼，領着北溪神位返回古廟。在廟中，他把銅鑼掛起，結束了又一年的北溪誕辰的慶典。（黃英偉）

漢字改革不能走拼音化道路

（社論）以往二十餘年，中國進行了一項文字改革運動，要用字母拼音代替漢字，毛澤東支持了這運動。毛氏認爲，世界上已盛行字母拼音的語文，因此中文也要照辦。

凡熟習中文的人士皆知，要廢漢字而用拼音，這是極端困難的事。首先，漢字是單音節的，同一音有幾十個字。其次，中國語文注重四聲，每個字有平、上、去、入的分別，無須註明。如果用字母拼音，必須另加註釋符號。猶如現代越南文，要在文字上加音節和聲調的符號。即使如此，同音字依然很難分辨出來。

最近，據中國新聞社報導，「著名學者商承祚教授最近在一次講學報告中指出，漢字改革不能走拼音化的道路。」顯然他不同意毛氏的看法。這是一項令人欣慰的消息。

這位七十八歲老教授說，「中華民族有幾千年光輝燦爛的文化，古籍浩如烟海，假如一旦取消方塊字，大量的資料就沒法閱讀，豐富的文化遺產就不能繼承。」

中國採用羅馬字母拼音已有多年，報刊招貼，大城市常見的標語，不少用漢字加字母拼音並列。但是，我們久已注意到，均無四聲符號，令人難于辨認。

可見毛澤東雖有意把中國文字走上拼音道路去，但智識份子和老百姓，並非完全俯首貼耳，唯命是聽。試問拼音文字沒有四聲符號，如何能讀得通？今天商承祚教授提出對推行拼音文字的異議，看來是批判這方案的先聲。

漢字已有數千年的歷史，如能頂住拼音方式的文字改革，將會再有數千年的生命。

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